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9th "	ORIENTAL	5294		
16th "	ARABIA	7933	MACEDONIA	10512
23rd "	OCEANA	6610		
30th "	HERCULES	4804	MONGOLIA	9505
6th Aug	PERSIA	7951		
13th "	VICTORIA	6322	EGYPT	7913
20th "	ARABIA	7933		
27th "	CALEDONIA	7655	CHINA	7912
3rd Sep.	BALLARAT	4968		
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LONDON, JUNE 23.

SECURITIES—

2 1-2 per cent. Consols	90 1-4	=	—1-16.
3 do. Reates	89 3-4	=	unchang 31
3½ do. Indian Sterling			
Loan	£105 1-2	=	do
3½ per cent. Indian Enfaced rupee Paper	85 3-8	=	+ 1-16

SILVER—

Spot in London	23 3-4	=	unchanged
2 months hence	23 11-16	=	do
Spot in New York	55 7-8	=	do

EXCHANGES—

Paris cheques	25'18 1-2	=	+ 1-2
Berlin	20'10	=	+ 1-4
New York Demand	4'87 1-4	=	unchanged

DISCOUNTS—

Bank of England	3	per cent =	do
3 months' sight Bank Bills	2 1-4	per cent =	+ 1-8
6 " " "	2 1-4	per cent =	unchanged
3 " " Fine " Trade Bills	2 1-2	per cent =	+ 1-8.
6 months sight Fine Trade Bills	7-8	per cent =	unchanged

INTEREST—

Day to day loans		per cent =	+ 1-8
7 day market loans		per cent =	+ 1-4

RUBBER—
Para Rubber 4-9 done.

WHEAT—
Club No. 1 28 1-4 J.-J. done
White Delhi 28 3-8 J.-J. sellers } steady
White Karachi 26 1-4 S.-O. done }
Red Karachi 26 S.-O. done

RAPESEED—
Yellow Gurzerat 32 1-4 J.-A. sellers } quieter.
Yellow Cawapore 32 3-4 J.-J. sellers }
Brown 30 J.-A. done

LINSEED—
Linseed Bold 32 1-2 J.-A. sellers firm.

COFFEE—
Coffee in New York, 7.

In Liverpool—Cotton Market closed easier. Surats quiet. Manchester quiet. Total sales 4,000. Spot 6·20 — 2, Egyptian F. G. F. Brown 6 15-16 unchgd. Sold on speculation and for Export 300. Imports 5,000. Arrivals closed easier.

June-July.	July-Aug.	Aug-Sept
5'55	5'60	5'66
—12	—11	—10
Sept-Oct	Oct.-Nov.	Nov.-Dec.
5'33	5'20	5'15
—5	—6	—5
Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.
5'12	5'11	5'11
—5	—5	—5

Receipts at U. S. Ports	3,000
Do. last year	2,800
Exports to Great Britain	1,000
Do. do Continent	7,000

In New York—

Spot	10'95 —30
Futures, month of July	10'38 —19
Do. do. December	9'15 —16

In New Orleans—

Spot	10 7-8 unchanged
Futures, month of Sept.	9'39 —15
Do. do. Dec.	9'31 —13
Tone at close	steady.

Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay, for the 24 hours ending at 6 p. m., on Thursday, 23rd June, 1904:—

Cotton	2,936 bales.
Wheat	18,357 cwts.
Linseed	12,614 "
Rape, Rai and Mustard	44,961 "
Gingellyseed	2,127 "
Poppyseed	3,253 "
Groundnuts	20 "
Castorseed	3,141 "
Hides	503 "
Myrabolams	559 "
Cottonseed	nil "
Mowrasseed	1,320 "
Grams	364 "
Joowar	2,334 "
Maize	nil

BOMBAY, FRIDAY, JUNE 24.

The rains are making satisfactory progress upcountry generally, and from many districts reports are received that sufficient rain has fallen, and that sowing has commenced or will commence shortly. Locusts are still in evidence in large tracts of land, and are widely spread over the country. It is to be hoped they will disappear entirely before the seed germinates, as otherwise, wh-rever they are, resowing will be necessary, and this will cause undue delay.

In Guzarat and Kathiawar rain is wanted and up to the present has not fallen in sufficient quantities. All other districts report good rain. Our markets have remained inactive throughout the week. In cotton it is generally believed that Mills have already bought against their requirements for the next two or three months, and consequently their daily purchases at Colaba have been reduced to a very retail scale. There is more anxiety on the part of holders of stock to part with their holdings, but buyers are very chary, and notwithstanding lower prices transactions reported are very much curtailed. Advices from the home markets give no encouragement. In seeds, business has also been on smaller lines, with less disposition on the part of shippers to operate. Freights have firmed up again. With better offers from out-ports, tonnage here is becoming scarce, and for June-July shipment rates have advanced. In Financial news there is nothing fresh to report. Money is seeking investment for short periods and is difficult to place. Exchange is quiet but steady and the same remark applies to Rupee Paper.

COTTON.

During the week under review a further reduction of prices has taken place in Americans, though on a more moderate scale than in the preceding week. It is very difficult to make any reliable forecast for the immediate future. The heavy decline lately reported was apparently not anticipated when the last inward mail advices were written, as in almost all reports, a reaction was looked for in view of increased consumption on the scale of prices then current. It is now generally believed that the slump which has since that date taken place, is largely due to monetary difficulties in America, and renewed favourable advises regarding the growing crop. It is quite possible that at about prices now current for the future months, outside investment may be attracted, in which case the slump should be arrested, and a reaction take place.

The following are the daily spot prices of Middling Uplands in Liverpool and New York during the week.

	Liverpool	New York.
June 17th	6·38	11·70
" 18th	6·34	11·70
" 20th	6·26	11·25
" 21st	6·19	11·10
" 22nd	6·22	11·25
" 23rd	6·20	10·95

Our local market has been reduced almost to a state of stagnation since our last mail report. The daily turnover at Colaba consists of a few hundred bales only, and sales reported are at low prices. Sundry quotations for new crops are current in the Sutta bazaar, but transactions are limited to a few speculative operations between dealers. In some few districts a satisfactory start has been made, though it is yet far too early in the season to make any forecast of the crops. In the meanwhile the monsoon has commenced well up to time, and a continuation of the present favorable weather in the immediate future is foretold by the Meteorological Department. In Guzarat and Kathiawar alone, rain is wanted, but there is ample time for this to be remedied before any harm is done.

COTTON STATISTICS.

	Bales.
Receipts for the week	17,259
Receipts from 1st Oct. to June 23rd	20,11,148
Shipments for week to Europe	11,843
Do. China, Japan, and Coast Ports	1,873
Total	13,716
Shipments from 1st Oct. to June 23rd	
Europe	9,23,287
Japan	2,39,911
China	22,800
Coast Ports	14,480
Total	12,00,478
Afloat in Harbour for Europe	3,291
China, Japan, and Coast Ports	3,008

LIVERPOOL OPENING TELEGRAM.

Tone quiet.
Estimated sales ..... bales 4,000
Imports ..... do nil.

June-July	July-Aug.	Aug.-Sept.
5·85	5·80	5·66
Sept.-Oct.	Oct.-Nov.	Nov.-Dec.
5·36	5·21	5·16
+1	+1	+1
Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mch.
5·13	5·12	5·12
+1	+1	+1

Official quotations of the Bombay Cotton Trade Association Limited:—

	Fine	F.-G.	Gd.	Delivery
Bengal (H.-G.) (Ry.terms)	238	224	215	June 25
Bengals (M.-G.) (Ry.terms)	250	237	...	"
Sind-Punjab (M.-G.)	250	237	...	"
Oomrawatee(descriptions) M.-G.	249	241	...	"
Khandeish (M.-G.)	...	237	229	"
Jalgaum do.	...	238	230	"
hundwa (M.-G.)	...	243	...	"
Khanggum fair staple (M.-G)	252	243		"
Karunja do. do. do.				
Akola do. do. do.				
Oomra good staple M.-G				
Dhamangaum Podgaum (MG)	252	245	...	"
Nagpur Kamptee (M.-G.)	...	254	247	... "
Broach (M.-G.)	...	278	268	... "
Surat (M.-G.)	...	298	288	... "
Bhownugger (M G.)	...	253	239	... "
Do. (H.-G.)	...	250	236	226 "
Bagalkote	...	...	...	231 "
Dhollera (M.-G.)	...	255	241	231 "
Do (H.-G	...	252	238	228 FGF "
Compta (M G	...	...	...	253 245 "
Dharwar (S.-G)	...	...	...	254 246 "
Westerns	...	...	...	233 225 "

WHEAT AND SEEDS.

These markets were quiet but steady and we have little change to record in the prices from day to day. A moderate business is passing in Oilseeds at our previous quotations. Wheat is quiet with little enquiry from shippers in the local market, though prices remain steady. In Linseed a fair amount of purchases for export is reported at about Rs. 5-6-6 to Rs. 5-7 per cwt. Rapeseed is also steady at last mail quotations. Poppyseed remains steady at Rs. 5-5 to Rs. 5-5-6 per cwt with a moderate enquiry from shippers. Castorseed is unchanged at Rs. 3-8-0 per candy and the tone of the market is quiet but steady.

Week's arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay.

Cotton	17,259 bales
Wheat	1,18,816 cwts.
Linseed	1,88,450 "
Rape, Rai and Mustard	73,000 "
Gingellyseed	15,228 "
Poppyseed	20,100 "
Groundnuts	338 "
Castorseed	23,708 "
Rice	19,354 "
Myrabolams	4,112 "
Cottonseed	13,278 "
Mowrasseed	5,553 "
Gram	9,787 "
Joowar	42,978 "
Maize	53 "

SEEDS—

	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p
Linseed.—Tone steady						
Ready	5	6	6	5	7	0
Rapeseed.—Tone steady.						
Brown Cawnpore, Ready.	4	15	0			
Yellow Cawnpore, Ready.	5	6	6			
Yellow Guzerat, Ready	5	8	0			
Poppyseed.—Tone steady						
Ready	5	5	6			
Castorseed—Tone quiet						
Ready	20	1-2				

WHEAT.—Tone quiet
Pissi 91 per cent. ... Rs 27
Club, No. 1 ..... Rs 27 1-2

FREIGHT.

This market is very firm and a fair amount of booking took place for July shipment early in the week, at 14s. 6d. and 14s. 9d. and sellers are now asking 15s. For Hamburg relets were made at 15s. 9d. seeds. The Rubattino Company is said to have booked for September-October at 14s. and their rate is now 15s. The quotation for September to December shipment is now 14s. 3d. to 14s. 6d open ports, with Hamburg option 6d. more.

The following fixtures were reported in the market during the week.

S.S. Director 14s. 1 p.p., 14s. 6d. 2 p.p., Aug. loading.

S.S. Oceana 15s. 1 p.p. 15s. 6d. 2 p.p. July-August loading.

S.S. Fultala Ready, Trieste, Venice and Liverpool Terms not transpired.

MONEY.

BANK RATE—

Bank of England since 21st April	3	per cent.
Bank of Bombay do 16th June	3	do
Bank of Bengal do 23rd June	3	do
Bank of Madras do 31st May	5	do

The following is the Weekly Statement of the Bank of Bombay for the week ending 18th June last, as compared with that of the previous week:—

LIABILITIES.	Rs	
Public Deposits	11,04,127	Decrease
Other Deposits	15,45,325	Increase
Sundries	43,914	Increase.
ASSETS.		
Government Securities	43,521	Decrease.
Other Authorized Securities	2,055	Decrease.
Credits on Securities	1,05,980	Decrease.
Loans, do.	3,04,353	Decrease.
Bills discounted & purchased	89,924	Decrease.
Balance with other Banks	49,008	Decrease.
Sundries	33,446	Increase.
Cash	10,47,932	Increase.

These figures show a decline of 21 1-2. lakhs in the trade demand.

The Bank of Bengal cash balance was 13 lakhs higher than last week and that of the Bank of Madras one lakh lower. The Official Bank rate is unchanged at 3 per cent in Bombay and 5 per cent in Madras, but the Directors of the Bank of Bengal have reduced their rate one per cent this week, bringing it to 3 per cent per annum, on a level with our local rate. The nominal rate for short fixed deposits is about 2 1-2 per cent per annum.

PAPER CURRENCY RESERVE.

The following are the latest returns as published in the "Gazette of India" for the 15th June:—

Silver coin	10,7,19,181
Gold coin and bullion	17,81,78,578
Silver held as security	nil
Total of notes in circulation, Rs.	38,56,41,705,

COUNCIL BILLS.

The total amount of Council Bills sold during the week ending on Tuesday evening was 53 lakhs, including one lakh of extra transfers at Is. 4-16d. on Bombay. At the weekly allotment on Wednesday the fifty lakhs put up for tender was all taken up in Bills at Is. 4d. tenderers at this rate receiving 89 per cent. For next week fifty lakhs will again be allotted.

The mail of the 10th June brings £250,000 silver and £50,000 gold, and the following Council Bills:—

Calcutta	Rs. 25,20,000
Bombay	" 11,30,000
Madras	" 7,40,000
Total	Rs. 43,90,000

The mail of the 17th June brings £130,000 silver and £40,000 gold, and the following Council Bills:—

Calcutta	Rs. 20,40,000
Bombay	" 16,40,000
Madras	" 8,10,000
Total	Rs. 44,90,000

The mail of the 24th June brings £60,000 gold, no shipment of silver, and the following Council Bills:—

Calcutta	Rs. 31,60,000
Bombay	" 13,10,000
Madras	" 5,30,000
Total	Rs. 50,0,000.

EXCHANGE.

The week opened with no change in the quoted prices of 1s. 4 5-32d. for 3 months' credit and 1s. 4d. for Bank demand. Very early one buyer cleared the market of all the bills offering at 1s. 4 1-8d. and when that became more less the general rate, there was nothing left for the others. No forward bills are making at all. For Bank demand at 1s. 4d. the enquiry is puerile and thus we see a continued steady demand for Council Bills. China draws a lot of money from Bombay. The shipment of sovereigns from Australia this week is only £25,000. Money could not be easier and were a decent import business doing, then Exchange would surely fall. But the balance of trade is still in favor of India, and it will surprise no one to see present rates maintained all through the monsoon. In forward Bank wire there is hardly any business. July was done at 1s. 4d. in the early part of the week, but now August is the earliest and no one wants it.

Exchange—Tone quiet but steady.
Bank T.T. ..... 1s. 3 31-32d.
Bank Demand 1s. 4d
Credit Bills 3 Months' Sight D. A. 1s. 4 5-32d to 1-8
Do 6 do do 1s. 4 1-4d. to 7-32.

French Francs	8 do	do	169 8-4
Marks	8 do	do	138 to 137 3-4
Hongkong	30 Days' Sight		134 1-2
Shanghai	30 do	do	136 1-2
Japan	30 do	do	148 1-2

GOVERNMENT PAPER.

The market for Rupee Paper is also very inactive, and there is an absence of fluctuations in the daily quotations. In former years the Thibet Expedition would have been made to play an important part in speculative transactions, but now there is no speculation in the bazaar, and Bulls and Bears are quiescent. The market remains steady at our quotations with a small business passing on the near approach of the settlement.

3 1-2 per cent. cash	Rs. 98-0	0
3 1-2 per cent 30th June	Rs. 97-15	0
3 1-2 per cent 1st August	Rs. 97-10	0
3 per cent ready	Rs. 86-4	

	Repayable.	Rate.
4 per cent Bombay Port Trust	... 1923	105 0
4 per cent " "	... 1930	105 8
4 per cent " "	... 1932	105 8
4 per cent Bombay Municipal	... 1923	103 4
4 per cents " "	... 1943	104
5 per cent " "	... Tacca	116 117
5 per cent " "	... Sanitary	115 116
4 per cent Bo. Impt. " Trust	... 1959	104
4 per cent " "	... 1962	104

BULLION.

Owing to steadier advices from London and a better offtake of silver our rates have improved during the week, about a quarter rupee. The Banks have been able to sell a good amount in the bazaar. There is a small business passing in gold.

	Rs.	a.	p.
English Bar Gold	24	0	6
Australian Bar Gold	24	1	0
Bombay do	24	0	0
English Shield Sovereigns	15	2	3
Do. Dragons	15	0	0
Silver—Duty Ready	65	12	0
Do. 1st settlement	65	12	0
Do. 2nd do.	65	8	0

PIECE-GOODS.

The market is again very quiet, the resumption of demand not having been maintained. Prices are practically unchanged, but the tendency is weak. Dealers are willing to sell at sacrifices, but cannot find buyers. There is very little enquiry for new business.

LOCAL YARNS.

The yarn market is quiet with a small business passing. Rates are 1-16 to 1-8 per lb. easier on the week. Both Hongkong and Shanghai markets are quiet but steady.

METALS.

Copper and Yellow Metal are steady and a fairly large business was put through this and last week. Iron and Steel are quiet with next to nothing doing. Spelter and Pig lead have a downward tendency, and Quicksilver is unchanged.

COALS.

In Bengal coal a line of Heilger'r anthracite is reported sold July to December at Rs. 11-8. Small sales have been made of Chutritan, July to December, at Rs. 10-8, and in Gasiitan at same rate, Charters reported Calcutta to Bombay two steamers at Rs. 4 and one at Rs. 4-4. The following are the imports into Bombay for May.

Bengals	1,02,540 tons.
English	2,919 "
Total	1,05,459 "

SHARES.

This market is steady. Bank of Bombay shares have changed hands at Rs. 1,295 and Rs. 1,293 1/2.

Commercials are steady at Rs. 30 In Railway Companies Tapti Valley are unchanged at Rs. 3,92 1/2. Ahmedabad Prantej at Rs. 507 1/2. In Press shares, Mofusils are unchanged at Rs. 535. New Beasts at Rs. 450, Indian Cotton at Rs. 142 1/2. Morarjis are at Rs. 255. In Miscellaneous 1st Accident have changed hands at Rs. 268. Re Insurances at 144 X.-D. Bombay Burmahs are unchanged at Rs. 7,800 quarter shares have changed hands at Rs. 1,895. Kemps have been placed at Rs. 248 and are in demand at 250. Trenchers are steady at Rs. 555 C.-D. Phillips have changed hands at Rs. 36 C.-D Port Cannings at Rs. 435, Oriental Life shares at Rs. 139. In Mill shares, Manockji Petits improved to Rs. 2,350 during the beginning of the week but later on they have declined to Rs. 2,080. Chinas are quiet at Rs. 545 X.-D. Bombay Cotton Mill shares have changed hands at Rs. 420, Centrals at Rs. 1,520 to Rs. 1,525, Swadeshis at Rs. 840. Davids are unchanged at Rs. 222 1-2. Colaba Land and mill shares have improved to Rs. 425, Morarjis are steady at Rs. 1,725, Sholapurs at Rs. 1,830. Curreembhais are unchanged at Rs. 630. Indian Manufacturing Company shares have changed hands at Rs. 380 and Presidency Mill Shares at Rs. 570. Queen Mill shares are quiet at Rs. 505. Sassoon Mill shares are unchanged at Rs. 715. Sassoon Silk Mill shares are reported to have changed hands at Rs. 495. Standards are steady at Rs. 400 X.-D. Southern Marathas are unchanged at Rs. 115. Kohinoors are reported to have changed hands at Rs. 350. The rest are unchanged at previous quotation.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.
LONDON, JUNE 23.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed	easier
Surats	quiet
Good Bhownuggur	quiet
The Manchester Market has been	quiet
2 1-2 per cent Consols	90 1-4
3 per cent Rentes	97 3-4
3 1-2 per cent Sterling Loan	105 1-2
3 1-2 per cent Rupee Papers	85 3-8
Bar Silver	25 3-4

The Bank of England returns for the week ending yesterday show the following results:—Total Bullion £33,260,000, Increase £300,000; Public Deposits £9,100,000, Increase £900,000; Other Deposits £40,000,000; Increase £400,000, Government Securities £16,200,000, unchanged ..... Other Securities £24,800,000, Increase £700,000; Notes and Gold £25,500,000, Increase £700,000. The Banks Reserve is 52 per cent. of the Liabilities.

THE NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

The report of the Directors of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha for the half year ended March 31st last which was submitted to the shareholders at a meeting on May 27th states that the gross profits of the Company for the half year amount to yen 2,882,169 —146, out of which there has been set aside depreciation of the Company's fleet and property, yen 741,589—960; Insurance fund, yen 225,042—260; ships' structural repair fund, yen 446,299—510; total yen 1,412,931—230; leaving a balance of yen 2,471,177—591, including yen 1,001,939—675 brought forward from the last account. The Directors proposed that yen 73,461—900 be added to the Reserve Fund, raising it to yen 1,037,515—65½, and that yen 71,358—110 be allowed as Directors' and Auditors' fees. From the remainder the Directors recommended a dividend at the rate of ten per cent, together with two per cent. as special dividend, thus making twelve per cent., per annum which would absorb yen 1,320,000—000. The balance, yen 1,006,357—881, was carried forward to the next account.

DIVINE SERVICES.

ST. THOMAS' CATHEDRAL
IV SUNDAY, AFTER TRINITY JUNE 26.

7-30 a.m.—Matins.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion—Choral Smart in F.
Hymns—163. 172 and 32.
5 p.m.—Children's Service.
6 p.m.—Evening Canticles. Tours in F. and Sermon.
Hymns—229, 19 and 214.
Collections for—S. S. J. E.
Daily Matins at 9-45 a.m. and Evensong at 5 p.m.
Daily Holy Communion at 7-15 a.m.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, MALABAR HILL.

6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, MAZAGON.

6 a.m.—Holy Eucharist.
7 a.m.—Holy Eucharist—(Choral) Preacher—Rev Father Langmore.
11 a.m. Children's Service.
5-45 a.m.—Matins.
6 p.m.—Evensong—(Choral) Preacher Rev Father Bisgood.
Alms for Choir and Organ.

WESLEYAN CHURCH.
(Colaba Causeway.)

8 a.m.—Parade Service. Preacher—Rev. A. S. Revnell.
6 p.m.—Evening Service. Preacher—Rev. R. Scott M.A.
6-45 p.m.—Sunday School.
8-30 to 9-30 p.m.—Social Hour.
(Wesleyan Church, Victoria Gardens, Byculla.
9-30 a.m.—Preacher—Mr. W. G. Kensett.
6 p.m.—Preacher—Rev A. J. Harnish.
4-30 p.m.—Sunday School.

CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN, PAREL.
(Madras Time)

8 a.m.—Celebration of the Holy Communion.
9-30 a.m.—Matins.
Hymns—207 and 194.
No evening Services.

CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN, BANDORA.

11 a.m.—Matins, Sermon and Celebration of the Holy Communion.
Hymns—207, 191 and 107.

BAPTIST CHURCH.
(Bellasis Road, opposite Byculla Club.)

8-30 a. m.—Morning Service.
6 p.m.—Evening Service—Speaker for both services Rev. J. O'Brien.
5 p.m.—Sunday School.

MISSION CHURCH, GIRGAUM.

7-15 a.m.—Litany, Holy Communion and Sermon.
4-30 p.m.—Service for the young.
6 p.m.—Evening Prayer, and Sermon.
Collections for the Church expenses and Poor.

BOWEN MEMORIAL METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.
(Apollo Bunder.)

9-15 a.m.—Sunday School and Bible Classes.
11 a.m.—Divine Service.
6 p.m.—Divine Service Preacher—Rev. L. A. Core.
All Seats free and Strangers cordially invited.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH.
(Church of Scotland.)

4-30 p.m.—Sunday School.
6 p.m.—Evening Service.
Psalm—40.
Hymn—141.
Hymn—141.
Hymn—216.

CHRIST CHURCH, BYCULLA.

7-30 a.m.—Matins.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion—(Choral).
Hymns—3 269, 178 and 593.
4-15 Sunday School.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.
Hymns—14, 236, and 236.

ST. NICHOLAS' SEAMEN'S CHURCH,
(Opposite the Main Gate of Prince's Dock.)

8 a. m.—Matins and Sermon.
6-30 p. m.—Evensong and Sermon.
Wednesdays Evensong and Sermon.
Chaplain Rev Oliver W. E. Grant.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, COLABA.
(Afghan Memorial Church.)

8 a.m.—Choral—Celebration of the Holy Communion.
7 a.m.—Parade Service.
5 p. m.—Sunday School.
6 p.m.—Evensong, Choral and Sermon.
Offertories—during the day for Church Expenses.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH.

7-30 a.m.—Matins.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
Hymns—28, 321 and 193.
5 p. m.—Children Service.
6 p. m.—Evensong and Sermon.
Hymns—273, 254 and 111.
Offertoria for Church Expenses.

THE UNITED FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND.
(Wandby Road.)

3 a.m—Sunday School.
11 a. m.—United Service, (St Andrew's Church.)
4-30 p.m.—Fellowship Association.
6 p.m.—Evening Service—Rev Alex S. Crichtan.
Hymns—429, 179 and 365.
Psalm—148.

G. I. P. RAILWAY.

The following is the comparative statement of traffic earnings for the week ending 18th June 1904.

	Coaching Traffic.	Goods Traffic.	Sundry Receipts.	Total for the week
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Approximate earnings for week ending 18th June 1904— G I P R system	2,26,767	5,46,519	2,967	7,76,251
I M R do	44,818	1,38,230	503	1,83,606
Total	2,71,585	6,84,749	3,525	5,59,895
Actuals for corresponding week ending 19th June 1903— G I P R system	2,34,102	5,74,153	3,078	8,11,340
I M R do	55,661	1,21,119	335	1,81,115
Total	2,9,770	6,98,272	3,413	9,92,455
Increase or (G I P R	— 7,34	— 27,654	— 111	— 35,98
Decrease... (I M R	— 11,143	+ 14,111	+ 223	+ 2,119

THE boy Frank Rodgers, who was tried at Cambridge Assizes on June 3, on a charge of murdering his mother at Melbreta by shooting her with a revolver, was found guilty, but insane, and not responsible for the act, and he was ordered to be detained during his Majesty's pleasure.

SPLENDIDLY victorious as the Japanese have been, their successes have not been won without some sad heart-breaks. "Do they wear mourning for their relatives?" many people ask. The answer is, Yes. In Japan the outward sign of mourning is white, and as their emblem of happiness is red, the national colours are those of joy and sorrow, mute reminders of the tragedy of existence.

KING PETER of Servia has determined to have a coronation. The crown is being made out of an old cannon that formerly belonged to one of his handit forefathers. Those who have seen the design say that the symbol of royalty will bear a close resemblance to the copper moulds used in kitchens. The officiating prelate at the ceremony will be the same Metropolitan who gave the nuptial benediction to Alexander and Draga, who afterwards refused the rites of Christian burial to their poor mangled remains, and who long subsequently with all due unction and semblance of devotion celebrated a "Requiem" for the repose of their souls. An ecclesiastic of this stamp must be a comfortable sort of creature to "keep handy"; he can always be relied on—one of the few people in Servia that can be.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

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DEATH.

SURVEYOR—June 24, Bai Manockbai, wife of Fakirji Pestonji Surveyor, and mother of H. F. Surveyor and Dr. N. F. Surveyor at her residence, opposite the Marine Lines Station. Deeply regretted.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

EGERTON—June 23, at Murree, the wife of Major R G Egerton, Q O Corps of Guides, of a son.
HILLS—June 16, the wife of E is Hills,

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SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

The Wilson L'ne steamer Aleppo, 2338 tons, Captain Rayward, will sail to-day for Hull via Karachi, with a general cargo.

The French Mail steamer Armand Behic, 8218 tons, Captain Guinnet, sailed yesterday Nounea, &c. with a general cargo and passengers.

The steamer Sandefjord, 1147 tons, Captain E W Mannhip, sailed yesterday for Antwerp, with a general cargo and the following passengers:—Mr E H Taylor, Mr A Edgecombor, and Mr C F Carston.

THE Transport Nurani Captain Thompson sailed yesterday for Aberdeen with Capt. Fisher 2 I. H. Rivers, and 1 horse 107 Pioneers, 33 Gorse, agents, &c, and 193 followers. Supply and Transport Corps 1 Superintendent 1 clerk 2 postmen and 4 followers. Postal Depot

VESSELS IN THE HARBOUR.—JUNE 24.

Vessel.	Ton.	Sail.	Destination	Date.	Agent.
Denzenhand bq	753	Nacoda			The Captain
Sagul Karim	536	Nacoda			G Muthwani
Pallitana	1934	Lowestoft			M M & Co
Jelinda	3391	Windebank			M M & Co
Ormidale	2303	Hamilton			W & A G & Co
Avoca	3409	Lowe			M M & Co
Casara	1216	Carey			M M & Co
Shahinfor	2135	Davison			s5 Tajshoy
Akbar	1490	Bairawin			H G Joosub
Uriana	3351	Thomson			M M & Co
India	2391	Forbes			M M & Co
Vaidala	2404	Spinner			M M & Co
Secundra	1675	Babb			M M & Co
Mantra	2195	Alexander			M M & Co
Ionania	3391	Ambrose			M M & Co
Scindia	3359	Butler			M M & Co
Rosa	3302	Robertson			M M & Co
Java	2321	Carey			M M & Co
Satara	3347	Hutchinson			M M & Co
Burnfield	3615	Mackenzie			Bombay Co
Ouma	1098	Williams			M M & Co
Khora	1491	Murray			M M & Co
Pinna	1109	Meeks			Ewart Latham & Co
Wartenfels	2292	Hedde			Glade & Co
Naderi	1103	Metcalfe			B & P S N Co

VESSELS IN DOCKS.

PRINCES DOCK.

Shed	Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination	Date.	Agent.
A	Swaledale	3333	Manship	Antwerp	24-6	M M & Co
B	Clan Alexander	4004	Sering	Hamburg	7-7	F Muir & Co
C	City of Bombay	4491	Snow	Karachi	27-6	K Nixon & Co
D	Aleppo	2338	Rayward	Kchee	25-6	F Muir & Co
F	Felix	2702	Maland	Liverpool		M M & Co
G	Mahammadi	1252	Galley	Jeddah	28-6	B & P S N Co
H	Nevassa	1264	Hirst	Zanzibar	29-6	M M & Co
K	St Runsecon	2169	Forsyth	Hull	2-6	K Nixon & Co
M	Nurani	2570	Thompson	Berbera	24-6	Transport
N	Mossfort	1379	Hanson	Penang	30-6	B & P S N Co
O	Salian	1751	Girvin	Zanzibar	27-6	A Strandes
Q	Cantinia	3555	Phillips	Stream	25-6	M M & Co

HARBOUR WALL P. DOCK.

Puri	3.7	Ahmed		Janjira	25-6	Shpp & Co
Indravati	515	Mosharaff		Bhowmagar	25-6	Shpt & Co
Gourisdod	574	Ebrahim		Mormugoa	25-6	Shpt & Co
Bahadurl	879	Fakeera		Karachi	24-6	zhpd & Co

VICTORIA DOCK.

Shed	Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination	Date.	Agent.
1	Simla	2824	Summers	China	29-6	P & O Co
2	Nubia	349	Knox	Liverpool	5-7	W & A G & Co
3	Clan Monroe	3121	Howell	Antwerp	27-6	F Muir & Co
4	Clan Ferguson	3167	Macallester	Genoa	30-6	F Muir & Co
9	Citta-de-Nuova Orleans	3021	Ruta	Calcutta	26-6	s C Italiana
6	Hyperia	2215	Thomas	Leith	28-6	Ralli Bros
7	Clyde-dale	2296	Lundsborg	Hamburg	7 M	M & Co
8	Nippon	3369	Mistrango	China	27-6	A S N Co
9	Councellor	3156	Lowe	Liverpool	28-6	K Nixon & Co
13	Goolpara	1359	Donald	Calcutta	26-6	M M & C
14	Dwarka	759	Rothwell	Karachi	25-6	M M & Co

DEPARTURES.

June.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
24	Nurani (Trans. ort)	Thompson	Berbera
	Armand Behic	Guionnet	Noumea, &c
	Swaledale	Mauship	Antwerp

The steamer Aleppo Capt Rayward for Hull via Karachi.

The following vessels entered for loading yesterday:—
Steamer Clan Ferguson for Genoa and Havre
" Wotan Prince for Antwerp, &c
" Citta-de-Nuova Orleans for Calcutta,

CALCUTTA.
ARRIVALS.

June	Names.	Tons.	From
21	Nowshera	1961	Bombay
21	Dupeux	1264	Colombo
21	Warooga	1939	Rangoon
21	Vanala	2104	Bombay
21	Nadir	2011	Bombay

DEPARTURES.

June	Names.	Tons.	For
21	Patiala	1925	Rangoon
21	Clan Shaw	2.05	London
21	Lightning	2.22	Hongkong
21	Strathnevis	2263	Bombay
22	Workman	3481	London
22	Reisenfels	1.952	Rio Forts
22	Heliz Hall	2633	B & New York
22	Syria	1191	London
22	Saugon	3323	Mauritius

MADRAS
ARRIVALS.

June.	Vessels.	From
11	Vauxhall Bridge	Calcutta
19	Arroyo	Calcutta
19	Clan Colquhoun	Liverpool
18	Rance	Bombay
18	Venetia	Calcutta
21	Ishavala	Rangoon
22	Trutenfels	Antwerp

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Grant left Suez on the evening of the 2 nd instant.

BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE

SQUADRON ORDERS, BY MAJOR T. W. CUFFE, COMMANDING 80, LT. HORSE.
Bombay, June 25.

I. The Range at Colaba will be reserved for the monthly Challenge Cup and practice, this afternoon and Monday afternoon next from 4 p.m.

II. There will be Recruits Drill at the Town Hall on Tuesday evening next the 28th instant from 5 30 p.m.

By Order,
F. A. REDDIE, Lieut.,
Actg. Adjutant, 80. Lt. H.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY,

REGIMENTAL ORDERS, BY MAJOR A. LESLIE COMMANDING B. V. A.
Bombay, June 25,

The following member having joined has been taken on the strength of the Corps and posted to No 4 Sub-Division No 2 Company,
No 981 Gr. M. A. Augu s.

By Order,
A. STIFFE, Capt. R. A.,
Adjt. B.V.A.

DAILY EXPORTS.—JUNE 24.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Nubia s—81 bales wool J Karra; 3840 cwt myrabellams Wagjee Becher; 10.0 cwt bonemeal craft Mody and Co.
Fultala s—2099 cwt cotton seed G Madhowjee; 19240 cwt wheat Ralli Brothers.

FOR GLASGOW.

Nubia s—1000 cwt cotton seed Tata and Co; 3000 cwt cotton-seed Wagjee Becher; 31 bales grey yarn W and A Graham and Co.

FOR DUNKIRK.

St Dunstan s—2300 cwt linseed D Nanjee and Co; 100 cwt gum Kiddie Reeve and Co.

FOR ANTWERP.

Hypetia s—1858 cwt lin seed and 3244 cwt rape seed 10 bales cotton 3739 cwt popyseed Ralli Brothers.
Clan Monroe s—312 cwt Nomica Duxbury and Co; 131 cwt myrabolams H Amandrai and Co; 1020 cwt maize 4149 cwt wheat Tata and Co; 150 bales hemp Kiddie Reeve and Co.
Welsh Prince s—40 cwt myrabollams 10,000 cwt grain 4000 cwt poppyseed and 2000 cwt gingelly seed Ralli Brothers; 4000 cwt rapeseed Sanlay and Co.

FOR HAMBURG.

Clydesdale s—19 cwt wheat 7 cwt linseed and 13 cwt gingelli seed V Yeshwant and Co; 2916 cwt myrabollams Rogi Gomeisey; 3955 cwt rapeseed Ralli Brothers.
Clan Macalister s—3535 cwt linseed Ralli Brothers; 340 cwt myrabollams H Anandras and Co; 19 cwt Kasoora 125 cwt wild turmeric 11 cwt fennel seed 13 cwt methi-seed and 22 cwt medicine P Parbat.

FOR HAVRE.

Clean Ferguson s—1000 cwt horns R Kaderbhoy; 2000 cwt linseed David Sassoon and Co; 1041 cwt rapeseed 6000 cwt wheat 3870 cwt lin seed 6000 cwt wheat Ralli Brothers.

FOR GENOA,

Clan Ferguson s—100 bales cotton Volkart Brothers 2211 cwt lin seed and 1000 cwt rapeseed Societa Coloniale Italiana; 43 0 cwt teaseed 2459 cwt rape seed and 1671 cwt linseed Ralli Brothers; 1000 cwt linseed Ernst Lam and Co; 2.00 cwt linseed J Fachiri; 200 bales cotton A Blasneeck and Co; 55 bales cotton F F Campbell and Co.

FOR TRIESTE.

Fultala s—110 bales cotton Ralli Brothers.

FOR VENICE.

Fultalla s—136 bales cotton Ralli Brothers.

FOR KOBE,

Nippon s—115 bales cotton M M Essabhoy.

FOR YOKOHAMA.

Nippon s—10 bales wool The Mitsbi and Bussan Kaisha.
Simla s—59 bales hemp E Rhodeland.

FOR HONMONG,

Simla s—1000 bales twist Currimbhoy Ebrahim and Co; 6 cwt kinds horns A M Essabhoy 10 chests opium C Ebrahim and Co 15 chests opium Silas E Sassoon 10 chests opium Sassoon J David and Co.
Nippon s—100 bales twist Talati and Co; 50 bales twist R S Woonwalla and Co.

FOR SHANGHAI.

Simla s—15 chests opium Sassoon J David and Co.
Nippon s—100 bales twist Talati and Co.

HIGH COURT.—JUNE 25.

Before The Hon'ble the Chief Justice and the Hon'ble Mr. Justice BATTY.

For Judgment on question of costs.

1270—Wadia G and Co—Chabildas Lalubhai vs Dayalmowjee and others Kanga and P and Tyabjee D and Co
636-01—Kanga and P—Dadabhoy Cullymjee vs Laljee Dungorsey and another—Tyabjee D and Co—Wadia G and Co
1293—Bhaishunker K and G—The Ahmedabad Advance S and W Co vs Laxmishanker Dewsanker and another—K B Mehta and Pestonji R and K—Part heard.

Before The Hon'ble Mr. Justice D. TYABJEE.
Summary Suit to be heard in Chambers.
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SATURDAY, JUNE 25, 1904.

THE BIRTHDAY HONOURS.

His Majesty the King-Emperor having elected that the anniversary of his birth shall be observed in June, though he was born in November, it is difficult to decide whether it is his last, or his next, birthday we are celebrating. Whichever it may be, his Majesty has not forgotten his loyal subjects, but has bestowed honours on them with a liberal hand. It is understood that his Excellency the Viceroy left the list of those he desired to be decorated, behind him, or communicated it to the India Office beforehand. Anyhow, it is a more carefully selected list than usual, though we observe with regret that the omissions of the Durbar "Gazette" have not been repaired and that half a dozen men, who deserved rewarding more perhaps than another half dozen, have still been overlooked. We fear they will have to abandon hope, for the present at all events, and look for honours hereafter—honours which neither moth nor rust can corrupt. We are glad to find that Mr. ex-Justice Candy comes prominently on the list. His services in the cause of education were great as well as gratuitous, and apart from his consciousness discharge of his public duties, those services called for recognition in high places. Mr. H. M. Birdwood's were quite as great, but were, and unfortunately still are, forgotten by those who might have been expected to remember. Mr. Pherozeshah Mehta, who receives a Knighthood of the Order of the Indian Empire is to be congratulated. He has done good service in imperial, local and municipal government for many years without fee or reward and has, for some time past, been noticeably less trenchant in his criticisms of Government measures. Doubtless this abstinence cost him greater efforts than the sweeping condemnations we had grown accustomed to. But self-restraint is a virtue, and as worthy of recoguition as any other. Sir Arthur Martindale who receives a Knighthood of the Star of India is one of the senior officers of the Political service and holds the important office of Governor-General's Agent in Rajputana. Mr. Forbes is a leading Civilian of the Madras Presidency where he is one of the most popular of officials. Mr. Risley has distinguished himself as a scholar and as a member of the Bengal Government. He now holds the important post of Home Secretary to the Government of India. Mr. Dane was one of the ablest Chief Secretaries the Punjab ever had and has also done good service as Resident of Kashmir and as Foreign Secretary to the Government of India.

Mr. Cumine who receives a C. S. I. was one of the leading Civilians of Bombay Presidency and, as we know, has just retired. Mr. Irwin is one of the good men of the Civil Service of Burma. Mr. Savage is one of the most distinguished of Civilians in Bengal. Colonel Hutchinson is about to retire after long service, first, in connection with the canal colonies of the Punjab, and afterwards in charge of the Aitchison College, Lahore. Colonel Scott has just retired after long service as head of the Calcutta Mint where he was in charge during the period of pressure resulting from the renewal of the coinage of very large quantities of rupees after a number of years in which operations were suspended. As he is now on the retired list, we expect he would gladly have been spared the twenty-five per cent. surcharge on all his bills which a Knighthood almost invariably means. Colonel Ottley was a distinguished member of the Indian Public Works Department and did useful service as Secretary to the Famine Fund before he went to Cooper's Hill. Mr. Porter has done long service in Burma where he represents the uncovenanted branch. Mr. Finney has been the successful manager of two great Indian Railways, viz., the Eastern Bengal State line and the North-Western Railway. Mr. Stoney is another distinguished Engineer Officer, and is about to retire after successfully managing the Madras Railway. Mr. Munro has been the pioneer of sound primary and agricultural education in the Central Provinces. Mr. Home made a name in connection with the development of railways in Native States, besides coming to the front in connection with famine relief. Mr. Johnstone is the builder of the great Jhelum canal weir. Mr. Knyvett is one of the most distinguished of the senior Police officers of Bengal. Mr. Waddiugton first came to notice as head of the Rajkumar College at Rajkot, and has since reorganised the Chiefs' College at Ajmer. Dr. Gooroo Dass Banerjee was one of the best Indian Judges who has ever sat upon the Calcutta High Court Bench. Mr. Justice Birkett is now the senior Civilian in India, and has had a long career upon the Allahabad Bench. Mr. Masson is an enthusiastic Volunteer and a leading representative of the commercial community in the Punjab. There, we have the claims of all the principal recipients, and we think it would be difficult, as these things go, to object to any one of them. We must record our appreciation of the good taste displayed by Government in abstaining from any new attempt to restrict the independence of journalism in this latest distribution of baubles.

TASMANIA. If all be true that Mr. Macnaghten, who has lived ten years in Tasmania, writes in a laudatory and illustrated article on that island in the current "Pall Mall Magazine," the Peri who clamoured for entrance at the gate of Paradise should have first called at that southern isle and sampled life there while waiting. That it is far away from most places whose inhabitants seek change of air or occupation seems to be its only disadvantage. The ordinary tourist of the Northern hemisphere has not time, even in these days of steam and many knots, to get there and enjoy a visit; the emigrant may have to burn his boats and take an expensive journey to disappointment crush his hopes. So that Tasmania remains in comparative isolation, albeit picturesque and splendid. The island has attractions that should appeal to the emigrant and visitor of every type, serious or frivolous. The atmosphere is charged with a brightness and a health—giving quality which may be put down either to the uncontaminated source from which prevailing winds blow, the much neglected South pole, or to the extensive forests of the Eucalyptus globulus which give out their pure and refreshing fragrance to the moving air. Scientists and botanists are agreed as to the hygienic value of these trees which, more than their beauty, recommends them. But whatever may be the cause, the climate is delightful all the year round. There must be bad days occasionally on the west coast, but exhilaration is ever in the air. The soil of Tasmania is fertile to a wonderful degree. Her scenic attractions are unequalled and though they are appreciated by Australians who visit Hobart in the summer months, few Europeans and still fewer people from India have had an opportunity of admiring them. All the trees on the island except one a beech, are non-deciduous, thus ensuring that the sylvan landscape is never bare and desolate but well-clad all the year round. The lakes are situated in elevated and picturesque surroundings. The rivers, the Huon, the Derwent, the Mountain river and many others add to the beauty of their course and setting the attraction of fine trout-fishing, some of the fish being emigrants from English rivers that have most successfully settled down in the Tasmanian waters. The forests are a dream of beauty and possess many finely blooming trees of which the silver wattle deserves mention, flowering as it does in the heart of the winter and brightening the hours of the shortest day with its golden blossoms.

But this fine island is in the occupation of a mere handful of inhabitants, 175,000, and it yearns for more. It can be easily imagined that miles of the land still remain unexplored and its mineral wealth is little known. The mines that have been worked, copper, tin and gold, have given rich returns, and it is believed that the west coast contains an abundance of mineral wealth well worth delving for. It is only twenty years since this region was first exploited and then the difficulties that were met with in the formation of the land and in the paucity of hands to surmount them, caused comparatively little progress to be made for years. Now the country is well found in roads and bridges and travelling is easy and pleasant. It may be difficult to convince the Irish farmer, the Scotch crofter and the English farm-labourer that they can set to work under infinitely more favourable conditions in Tasmania than they can at home. They will generally argue that there is no place precisely like home, and there is not, but they are here told that the labour they expend on a few acres of not too fertile soil in a most unreliable climate that seems to take a fiendish pleasure in withholding and giving rain at the worst possible moments for the unlucky farmer, and moreover, on a tenure that seems to satisfy neither landlord nor tenant, would enable the same men to annex as many acres as they could cultivate of virgin land of a most productive nature in the perfect climate of Tasmania. From Australia, some farmers have come, having suffered bitterly from the long drought in Victoria. They have settled on the north-west coast which boasts of a rich chocolate coloured soil suited for the dairy industry and potato growing. Crown land can be bought at three rates. First-class at one pound sterling per acre, second-class for ten shillings and third-class for five shillings. The terms of payment are easy, principal and interest getting paid off by annual instalments extending over fourteen years. The drawback to the best land is that it is very heavily timbered and takes much labour before it is ready for farming processes. The knowing settler rents some cleared land from private owners who have already got through with the tough job of clearing, while he sets to work to clear new ground for himself. The best land as a rule lies back from the water, sea, or river, and it has been gradually proved that it is rather wasteful to devote such land to fruit orchards, these do better on soil less valuable for other crops. The German settlers combined with the Scandinavian have made a very successful foundation up in the Wellington chain some miles north of Hobart, and they have christened the township Bismarck, a compliment at once to their statesman and to the liberal opinions of the Tasmanians generally. A word of advice to the emigrant suggests that he might with advantage work for wages on first coming out. His experience will then be earned with his monthly pay, and he must not seek to select his occupation, but take what offers—a warning that might be given in other places than Tasmania. Like every one else who means to succeed the settler should be strong, steady, thrifty and industrious.

Fruit-growing is one of the many industries of the country that apparently knows no limit. Mr. Macnaghten remarks that if Mr. Chamberlain's "Imperial Free Trade" become law, the shores of Southern Tasmania will have a magnificent future before them, for they can easily supply all the wants of the wide Empire in the direction of jams, preserves, tomato sauce, apples in every form, dry or juicy and many other delicacies. But if other parts of the Empire compete, will such wholesale cultivation pay? One jam establishment has a fruit farm of 500 acres. Potatoes multiply in the soil to such an extent that the wharves of Devonport (Tasmania) are loaded up with these tubers ready for export. The Eucalyptus besides improving the air is of considerable value in commerce for its enormous strength and durability. It plays its part in supplying piles and sleepers, the Harbour works at Dover take blue-gum piles from Tasmania; Devonport is also supplied from there. Butter and beef are produced in immense quantities specially in King Island, the 272,000 acres of which have been re-claimed in a memorable and most fortuitous manner. English yeomen manage it, with the result that dairying and fattening of stope cattle go on simultaneously on the most paying lines. Sheep of the merino breed have developed fine wool-gathering faculties here, and perhaps the record price has been reached by a Tasmanian sheep, the "President," which was sold in 1896 for 1,600 guineas, the price of a whole flock. The Shropshire variety has done so well that a famous English breeder will henceforth pursue his operations in this happy island. Tasmania has leisure and space for amusements and games, while her resources are steadily developing. It is comforting to be informed that "a man with limited means can get more enjoyment in the way of outdoor sports and pastimes in Tasmania" than elsewhere. Yachting is a national and all-the-year-round pleasure, no putting up of yachts for four and a half months' of impossible weather there, and a young man on thirty shilling or three pounds a week can have his share in a yacht without trembling at the expense. Fishing, sea and river, is to be had for nearly nothing, a small Government fee is paid and that trees the angler, who can amuse himself "jiggering" the fierce barracouta or catching acclimatised English trout in the rivers. The Lake district is locally called the "Angler's Paradise." Engineers thought of other uses for these lakes and have a high opinion of the powers of their wate s. They are situated very high above sea level, and a Danish expert, deputed by the Government to study the subject, estimated that it was more than probable that the electric power to be developed from the lakes could profitably run all the Tasmanian railways, light the whole island and run the motors in the mines and elsewhere. This would indeed be a triumph of engineering and would alone make Tasmania the wonder of the world.

THE FRENCH MARCHING CONTEST. The French are not great at athletic exercises, and the moral of the military marching contest promoted by the Paris "Matin" seems to be that the average "Piou-Piou" is not a professional pedestrian—that is all. It may also be taken in some quarters as a proof of the physical deterioration of the French army owing to the necessity of lowering the physical standard as a means of recruiting the required number of conscripts each year. It is unnecessary to cry out about the "cruelty" of such a competition, though it may have little value except as a fine advertisement for the journal which organized it. That a four hours' marching contest, even at high speed, should produce several deaths and a large number of cases for hospital treatment proves no more than that the individuals who suffered were unfit and should never have entered for a competition of the kind. No such casualties attended the long distance walks in England because the competitors were invariably men of some general athletic training who, moreover, fortified themselves by some special preparation for the actual contest. The conditions of the French competition were not the most favourable for a competition of this kind. The French infantry uniform is not an ideal walking costume, and to clothing, unsuitable for violent exercise on a hot day, as well as the weather and the physical unfitness of the individual must be attributed the breakdown of so many of those who undertook the walk. If individuals whose ordinary avocations are those of peace can walk a distance of fifty miles at an average of over six miles an hour, as was evidenced in the English walking competitions last year, four hours' rapid marching ought not to be too severe a test of endurance for soldiers who should of necessity always be in a fitigh state of physical training. That they are not trained to such a point only emphasises its necessity.

CROPS IN THE PRESIDENCY. RAIN appears to have fallen generally throughout the Presidency during last week, but in the Guzarat districts and one or two districts in the Deccan the copious downpours of the previous week were not repeated, the total rain fall being insignificant except in Surat where the rainfall was normal for this time of the year. In Sind much the same state of things that was recorded last week prevails, preparations for the kharif crop occupying the attention of cultivators, while sowing continues in Larkhana which is ahead in agricultural matters of all the other districts in the Province. There is very little change in the condition of things in Guzarat from last week. The picking of cotton in the Ahmedabad district is completed and the land is being prepared for kharif cultivation. The sowing of maize continues in the Panch Mahals, while in Surat the irrigation of sugarcane is still proceeding and the sowing of jowari and cotton has commenced in three talukas. Over twenty inches of rain fell in the Thana district during the week, where the sowing of kharif crops is generally in progress. Locusts are still committing ravages in parts of Bassein and Vada talukas. The condition of things is unchanged in Kolaba and Ratnagiri in both of which districts the locusts are still lingering and doing considerable damage to fruit and other trees in the latter district. The same pests are doing slight damage in the Nasik district where sowing has commenced in two talukas. In Ahmednagar sowing operations are still retarded for want of sufficient rain and locusts are still in evidence. These pests continue to commit great ravages throughout the Southern Mahratta Country in all of which districts the sowing of minor crops continues. The result of the operations of the officer on special duty in connection with the visitation of locusts will be awaited with interest.

GENERAL Macdonald with the main body of the force marching to Gyantse reached Kalat-so on the 20th, so the column should have arrived at Gyantse itself by now. We may therefore expect to hear very shortly of an action there, as the Tibetans will scarcely evacuate the jong without fighting.

THE success attending the experimental School of Engineering at Insein has decided the Director of Public Instruction in Burma, says the "Rangoon Times," in going up to Government with a strong recommendation for its conversion into a College, which would give theoretical and practical instruction on the "half-day school, half-day workshop" plan, in mechanical and electrical, as well as Civil Engineering. A complete scheme has been sketched out and estimates for buildings and plant, amounting to about Rs. 2½ lakhs, have been submitted to the Government.

"E. O. B." writes from Coorg to the "Madras Mail": — I had the pleasure of reading, in your paper of the 15th instant, about your correspondent's de cription of the way in which the plucky Pariah of Gudalur caught the cobra. To his query as to whether there is any one in the face of the earth who could show such wonders, allow me to answer him through the medium of your valuable paper. For instance I know a man at Fraserpet (Coorg), who has the reputation of having caught not less than 100 cobras of all sizes during these past 20 years. The above person is a Mahomedan named Chabs Saib. About two months ago he in my presence dug up two cobras, each about 6ft. long, and handled them in the manner described by your correspondent. He also as the plucky Pariah of Gudalur does not kill the cobras he catches, but lets them go in a far off jungle after getting some money for his grog by exhibiting them to others.

THE mail papers report that a sensational trial is about to be concluded at Treves. Count Honsbroch, a well-known nobleman, recently accepted the challenge of a priest named Dasbach, who offered to give two thousand gulden to anyone who could prove from Jesuit writings that they accepted the principle, the end justifies the means. Count Honsbroch, after proposing that the proofs should be submitted to several impartial tribunals to be chosen by himself and Herr Dasbach conjointly, published them in a paper as no satisfactory arrangement could be made. He is now claiming the two thousand guldea in the Treves County Court, which will pronounce judgment in a few days time. It will be interesting to discover how a secular trib

A RUMOUR DENIED.

LIAOYANG NOT CAPTURED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, JUNE 23.

The rumour regarding the capture of Liaoyang is denied at St. Petersburg.

The fighting in the Haicheng district is confined to skirmishes and unimportant encounters.

LONDON, JUNE 24.

General Kuropatkin telegraphs that the Japanese are advancing in great strength from Liaotung and Siuyen and that a whole division occupied Siungyocheng on the 21st instant.

The Japanese are constructing field fortifications and have mounted numerous guns from Kivandiansien in the North East to a point South of Kaiping.

Telegrams dated Colombo June 24 state:—Telegrams from St. Petersburg state the Czar's decision, that an attempt must be made by General Kuropatkin to relieve Port Arthur, was arrived at against the advice of the majority of the Council of War. His Majesty, however, was supported by General Sakharoff, the War Minister, and the Grand Duke Vladimir. Popular opinion is strongly agitating for the relief of the beleaguered garrison.

The Czar has ordered the mobilization of the 1st Army Corps, consisting of forty-seven thousand troops in the neighbourhood of St. Petersburg. The Corps will be commanded by General Baron Meyendorff, a cavalryman of repute, and includes the 2nd Division of Infantry from Novgorod, the 37th Division of Infantry from St. Petersburg, and the 30th Brigade of Infantry Reserve.

The Japanese invading forces are closing in upon the Port Arthur lines, which extend across the Liaotung Peninsula from Shulanfaiko to Chichengtsu, about twelve miles from Port Arthur. The forts and the outposts of the two armies are within two miles of each other.

Admiral Witgeft is now in Chief command of the fleet at Port Arthur.

The Japanese Minister at Peking has addressed Waiwupu officially, stating that the fall of Port Arthur is imminent, and that his Government desires to know whether China intends to send troops there to garrison the place, or if it prefers to leave it for the time being in the hands of the Japanese.

All the Russian men-of-war, which have been repaired and put into fighting trim, are anchored in the western basin of Port Arthur harbour. There are five vessels, besides about thirteen torpedo boats, and two vessels undergoing repairs in the eastern basin.

A party of Russian officers and men, who were captured by the Japanese from various steamers, including the Manchuria, arrived by the Marquis Bacquehelm from Kobe, and are returning to Russia on parole.

THE SITUATION AT NIUCHWANG.

A Niuchwang correspondent of the "North China Daily News" writing on May 25th states:—A stranger to the circumstances wandering through the streets of Niuchwang would be unaware that an enemy was at the gate. The same huckstering of yore goes on in the streets. The petty blacksmiths ply their trade beside the paveless roadside; and the cake and pudding vendors with lumps and slabs of their gruesome-looking wares invite the appetites of the coolies or various artificers of all sorts of trades with the calmness begotten of the want of fear of their surroundings. The number of Russian troops that occupy the streets are comparatively few for an occupied town, and there is no official air to speak of. Much less than erstwhile. Hence we infer the reason of the repeated false reports to outsiders of the evacuation of Niuchwang by the Russian troops. Niuchwang has never been evacuated to date and the rumours are probably owing to the withdrawal of troops to the front. The soldiers that are left behind appear to be more or less raw recruits and are constantly drilled in the Russian military quarters. For hours every day these mortals are put through their facing, and they march and countermarch with the unvaried monotony that would destroy an unwarlike soul; but the men accept it all like faithful animals being trained for an exhibition—or worse.

The only relief they receive is when a superior officer comes forth and reads a telegram favourable to the Russian cause. The blowing-up of the Japanese battleship Hatsuse: the collision between the cruisers that resulted in the loss of the Yoshino were naturally the signal for a great outburst of cheers from the ranks, and the band—which has forsaken the Public Gardens—played the National Anthem to inspire the enthusiasm to its utmost for the Czar and country. This reading of telegrams to the troops is a daily portion of duty. The wording is not in the terse terms of the ordinary "flimsy" but more elaborate. We know this from the time taken in reading the same. Beneath this outward calm there is a substratum of uneasiness amongst the community, but no fear is exhibited except by a few—very few. The war correspondents—some of them dressed in a negligé style which would take well on the stage—might betoken the results of a fatiguing campaign—are numerous. The man in the street who used to regard these heroes with a certain amount of awe now almost treats them as one with himself. A flight amongst eagles would give him courage. The correspondents are naturally chafing at their inactivity, and would dearly love to be in the thick of the fray. I heard one declare it would be inconceivable bliss to be in Port Arthur amidst a shower of shells. The savour of a bombardment would make him smack his lips; he hoped he would eventually manage the coup, whereas he now groans because he cannot say among the trumpets. Ha, ha, nor smell the battle afar off the thunder of the captains and the shouting. Yet his pacific demeanour and mild aspect over a whisky and soda would hardly tell you that gore was his love and slaughter his fancy.

The Japanese are undoubtedly in proximity to Niuchwang and a considerable force is reported near Haicheng. From an elevated position the Russian scouts can be seen in all directions on the plain, but there is no scurry with them and we watch their placidity with admiration. It may be due to a purpose or the want of one that the Russian guns are shifted about from place to place, some returning to the spot from whence they came. The general opinion is the Russians are preparing for a retreat and it is an open secret that the gunboat Sivetch is in a fit condition to be blown up at any moment without the intervention of the enemy. The next land battle will decide these details. The movements of the Japs, we are told, resemble the lines taken in the war with China. If this is the case it would be easy to trace their position by referring back, but the greater obstruction they will meet from their formidable foe as compared with their former bout with a weaker enemy must inevitably alter their plans to suit circumstances.

The German s.s. Chefoo on arriving here on the 21st instant, reports passing wreckage below the Liaotishan Promontory. It was such woodwork as chairs and tables, etc. The s.s. Yochow gives us a floating mine to mentally digest. This was off Weihaiwei. Steamers that run North could have a little drama of their own if fate willed it. Floating mines have a careless way of going off without recognising whether the parties concerned are belligerent or not.

The upheaval of war has also overthrown the smooth working of the postal facilities and the poor post-master is requested to perform miracles for individuals who fly from place to place and yet expect to receive their correspondence with former regularity. He makes a fine target for the wrath of those who have resided in the interior and have fled to more comfortable quarters. Needless to add his life is not too happy with the harpies. The parcels post is a deadly affair. Hurried packing does not conduce to security of transmission, and the recipient of a domestic parcel often finds the contents mixed in a hopeless way. Hudson's soap with the tea and black lead amongst cocoa will make anyone utter anathema, but really it is not the fault of the postal arrangements but of those who forward the parcels and cases.

JAPAN AS A WORLD POWER.

A CENTURY OLD RUSSIAN FORECAST.

In the current issue of the "Quarterly" proceedings of the Anglo-Russian Literary Society is quoted a translation of some extracts from a book written ninety years ago by a Russian navigator, Vice-Admiral Golovine, after a captivity of two years with the Japanese in the island of Kounachira. One of these extracts reads as follows:—

The neighbours of this people (that is the Japanese) must thank Providence for having imbued Japanese legislators with the desire that the people should be satisfied with their own intellectual culture and rely on their own resources. Let them beware how they give occasion to the Japanese to abandon this policy and in its place to initiate European methods! If this people, numerous, wise, well-informed, patient, industrious, assimilative, and enterprising, had at its head a Sovereign like the Great Peter, then, with all the resources at their command, the Japanese would be able in a very few years to dominate the whole Pacific Ocean.

And, again, Admiral Golovine, who must have been a singularly shrewd observer, wrote:—"Circumstances may one day force the Japanese to find a means to free themselves from anxiety and protect their country. For this purpose they would build boats on the model of European warships. These vessels would soon form a regular fleet, and one can easily foresee that this first success would encourage the Japanese to imitate Europe in other ways, and to appropriate those perfected means which were invented to destroy the human race. In fact, all the discoveries of which Europe is so proud would, one after the other, be turned to account by the Japanese, without even the need of the brain of a genius like our Peter. The ordinary course of events, the force of circumstances would be sufficient. Besides this, Europe would furnish enough instructors if Japan wanted them." The quotations conclude with one in which Admiral Golovine is represented as saying, "I do not say that the Japanese . . . could in a very short time become a European Power, and so be a danger to Europeans of the present day. But the thing is possible, and sooner or later the danger may make itself felt." At foot of these and several other passages showing equal provision, the able editor of the Anglo-Russian Literary Society's Proceedings adds for himself: "These astonishing forecasts of Admiral Golovine are, perhaps, on the way to being realised.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

U. S. PRESIDENCY.

Mr. Roosevelt Nominated.

LONDON, JUNE 23.

The Republican Convention at Chicago has nominated Mr. Roosevelt as candidate for the Presidency.

LONDON, JUNE 24.

The Republican Convention has nominated Senator Fairbanks for Vice-President.

THE KING'S MOVEMENTS.

LONDON, JUNE 23.

His Majesty King Edward visits Hamburg on the 28th instant.

LONDON, JUNE 24.

His Majesty the King has started to attend the Kiel regatta.

GOVERNMENT AND THE UNIONISTS.

The Government Whips complain bitterly of the slackness among the Unionist members and intimate that, failing an improvement, Government must consider their position.

INDIANS IN THE TRANSVAAL.

Interests to be Safeguarded.

MR LYTTELTON'S PROMISE.

LONDON, JUNE 3.

Questioned in the House of Commons regarding the prospect of legislation annulling the decision of the 12th May, Mr. Lyttelton said we shall see that the interests of Indians now settled in the Transvaal are safeguarded.

THE FINLAND MURDER.

The Assassin's Burial.

FINNISH SYMPATHY.

Schaumann, who shot General Bobrikoff, was buried at night outside Helsingfors under police supervision.

His family has received numberless condolences.

THE PLAGUE AT ADEN.

Aden has been declared free from plague.

"GAZETTE OF INDIA" NOTIFICATION.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

SIMLA, JUNE 24.

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT.

Captain Traill R. E. Under-Secretary to the Mysore Government has six months' leave.

Lieutenant H. R. N. Pritchard is posted to the Punjab Commission as Political probationer.

Mr. J. C. McDowell, Deputy Conservator of Forests, is re-posted to the Central Provinces.

Captain W. H. Cox I. M. S. is posted as Civil Surgeon of Wana.

Assistant Surgeon DeSilva of the Indian Marine steamer Comet officiates temporarily as Residency Surgeon at Baghdad.

REVENUE AND AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT.

Mr. H. C. Walker Assistant Conservator of Forests reverts to Burma.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Lieut-Colonel Boteler officiates as Colonel on the staff of the Royal Artillery, Madras, vice Brigadier Helsburne on leave.

Colonel Bromfield officiates Deputy as Adjutant General, Bombay, vice Brigadier G eneral Greenfield on leave.

Colonel I. Herbert officiates in command of Derajat District vice Brigadier General Pearson officiating as Adjutant General of India.

Hon Major G. Young, Supply and Transport Corps, is permitted to retire.

Northern Bengal Mounted Rifles—Major Wedderspoon has been promoted to Lieut-Colonel and Captain Botham to Major.

Captain Bomwetsch resigns his commission.

Bangalore Rifle Volunteers—Lieut-Colonel Lloyd resigns his commission, Mr. Moore becoming Commandant.

Madras Railway Volunteers—Lieut-Colonel Bonham Carter is to be commandant.

Volunteer Officers' decorations are conferred upon Major Boylan, East Indian Railway Volunteers and Lieut-Colonel Lightfoot, East Coast Rifles.

Lieut--Colonel Mawson, I. M. S., has been transferred to the temporary half pay list.

Captain Grant, Cantonment Magistrate, Nowgong is gazetted three months leave.

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

E. H. Casey is to be sub-lieutenant.

Commander T. Finny is permitted to retire.

MYSORE BIRTHDAY POLO TOURNAMENT.

MYSORE, JUNE 24.

Mysore Birthday Polo Tournament commenced this afternoon before a big assemblage, the Maharaja, Sir James Bourdillon and numerous guests who had come to the Mysore festivities being present.

The first game played was between the Mysore Imperial Service Lancers, represented by Anuaji Kadam, his Highness the Maharaja, Colonel Desaraj Urs, Murad Beg Back, and the Mysore Gymkhana for whom Messrs. Subramaniya Raj Urs, Gopalraj Urs, Kantaraj Urs and Lingaraj Urs played.

The first was a very even chucker, the Gymkhana scoring a subsidiary goal. The second chucker resulted in two goals for the Lancers' team, the Maharaja, who was playing a brilliant game, scoring first and Murad Beg after. There was no further score. In the third chucker but exciting play ruled. In the fourth chucker the Lancers' team added two more goals won by Colonel Desaraj Urs, the Gymkhana putting on a subsidiary goal. Some exciting play was witnessed in the last two chuckers, but the defence of both the sides was good and the game ended in a victory to the Imperial Lancers by four goals to two subsidiaries.

The next match played was between the second team of the Imperial Lancers and Raja Venugopal's team. This resulted in a hollow victory for Raja Venugopal's team by six goals and three subsidiaries to nil. The Lancers were beaten in a very blanch game, Captain Oakes Raja Venugopal, and Sheak Ismail playing a splendid game. Gwyer played back. The opposing team was represented by Chanda Rao, Chamaraj Urs, Nangaraj Urs, and Sreenivasa Rao.

The Tournament will be resumed on Monday.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

On the Cooperage ground last evening a game was played between the Bombay Gymkhana Rugby team and the "Casuals." Just at the moment play was timed to commence a sharp shower of rain fell and the start was delayed for a little over 15 minutes. The attendance of spectators round the enclosure was fairly large. The Gymkhana won the match by 1 goal, 3 tries (14 points) to nil.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE KING'S BIRTHDAY HONOURS.

LONDON, JUNE 23.

The Birthday Honours include the following:—

ORDER OF ST. MICHAEL AND ST. GEORGE.

To be Grand Cross:—

Sir Robert Finlay, Attorney-General for services in Venezuelan Arbitration.

Sir Henry McCallum, Governor of Natal.

To be COMMANDERS ST. MICHAEL AND ST. GEORGE.

Mr. Sutton, Premier of Natal.

Mr. Jordan, British Minister in Korea.

Mr. Bredon, Chinese Customs.

Admiral Blomfield, Egyptian Service.

Mr. Treacher, Malay Federation.

To be COMPANIONS ST. MICHAEL AND ST. GEORGE

Colonel Coles, Uganda.

Mr. Hobley, East Africa.

Mr. Pearce, Central Africa.

Mr. Wheeler, Central Africa

Mr. Spooner, Malay Railways.

Mr. Baird for Diplomatic services in Abyssinia and Somaliland.

Mr. Edward Hillier, Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, for services in China.

Mr. McIlwraith for services in Egypt.

Mr. Paget of the British Legation, Bangkok.

Captain Troubridge, late Naval Attache, Tokio.

The new Privy Councillors are Mr. Charles Booth, merchant, and Mr. James Parker Smith and Mr. W. S. Kempon Slaney, Members of Parliament.

LONDON, JUNE 24.

The following honours also appear in the Birthday "Gazette":

TO BE GRAND CROSS OF THE BATH.

General Sir Edward Holdich.

General Sir John Ewart, (since deceased),

General Sir W. Cameron.

General Sir T. Kelly Kenny.

General Sir Charles Egerton.

TO BE KNIGHTS OF THE BATH.

General W. H. Seymour.

General J. W. Thomas.

General A. Low.

General J. W. Traill Burroughs.

General A. G. Hogg.

Surgeon-General Thornton.

Surgeon-General Townsend.

A NEW BARONET.

Mr. Alfred Harmsworth has been created a Baronet.

NEW KNIGHTS.

Professor Dewar and Mr. Edward Elgar, the musician, have been made Knights Bachelor.

Sir Robert Bannatyne Finlay who has been decorated with the Grand Cross of the Order of St. Michael and St. George was knighted in 1895. He was born on July 11th, 1842, son of the Wm. Finlay, F. R. C. P. Edinburgh. He was educated at Edinburgh Academy and Edinburgh University where he graduated in medicine. He however chose the law as a profession and was called to the Bar in November 1867. He first entered Parliament as member for Inverness Burghs in 1885 and has since continued to represent that constituency. He was Solicitor-General during the Parliament of 1895-1900, and has been Attorney-General since 1900. He is a King's Counsel and a Bencher of the Middle Temple. He represented the British Government before the Hague Tribunal in the arbitration on the international claims against Venezuela.

Colonel Sir. Henry Edward McCallum, R. E., Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Natal who has also been decorated with the G. C. M. G. has rendered distinguished service in various parts of the world. He was born at Yeovil on the 28th October 1852, the eldest son of Major H. A. Mc Callum, R. M. L. I, educated privately and at the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich, he passed out of Woolwich first out of fifty two cadets in 1871. In that year he gained the Pollock medal and was Fowke Medallist in 1874. After being Superintendent of Telegraphy for the Southern District and Inspector-General of Fortifications, he became in 1875 Private Secretary to Sir Wm. Jervais, Governor of the Straits Settlements. During the next two years he was several times mentioned in despatches and received the Perak Medal and Clasp. His next appointments were: Superintendent, Admiralty Works, Hong-Kong, 1877-78. Singapore, 1878-79; Royal Arsenal, Woolwich 1879-80; Deputy Colonial Engineer, Penang 1880-84; Colonial Engineer and Surveyor General, Straits Settlements; member of the Executive and Legislative Council 1884-87; Special Commissioner, Penang, to suppress outbreak, 1881; Governor and Commander-in-Chief, Lagos, 1887-89; Special Mission to Lagos Hinterland, 1888-91; Governor, Newfoundland 1888-91; and Governor of Natal since 1901. In 1902 he was appointed to the command of the 4th Division of the 3rd Army Corps.

INDIAN HONOURS.

KAISAR-I-HIND MEDALS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, JUNE 23.

In the King's Birthday Honours' List, Kaisar-I-Hind medals of the 1st Class are awarded to the following:—

Dr. John Murdoch, Secretary of Madras Religious Tract and Book Society.

Mr. Harry Lindsay Tilly, Chief Collector of Customs, Rangoon.

Mr. Henry Cousins, Superintendent, Archæological Survey of Bombay.

Mr. Edaljee Dorabjee Talati, Head Master of the Ahmedabad High School.

Miss Manning, Secretary of the National Indian Association, England.

A SOLDIER'S MARRIAGE TROUBLES.

CHARGE OF BIGAMY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

BANGALORE, JUNE 24.

In the District Magistrate's Court here to-day, before Mr. P. Moor, Sergeant Frederick John Reginald Thomas of the Carabiniers was produced in military custody charged with bigamy under sections 593, 594, 595, 596 in that he married Miss Gladys Gibson of Bangalore on April 13th last at Holy Trinity Church, Bangalore, knowing that he had a wife living in Australia. The discovery was made on the 15th instant when the local police authorities received a letter from a Sydney Solicitor, asking them if they would be willing to serve a writ on Thomas in view of divorce proceedings initiated in that city by his lawful wife Ethel Thomas whom he had married there at Redfern in October 1898. Thomas was immediately arrested by the Military Authorities pending Civil action.

The witnesses examined to-day were Gladys Gibson, her mother, the Rev. Hugh Flynn, chaplain, who married Thomas to Gladys Gibson and two military and two civil witnesses. The evidence showed that Thomas went from Australia to South Africa early in the war and subsequently enlisted in the Carabiniers in London in 1899.

The prisoner in his statement admitted the former marriage, but pleaded that he had heard his first wife had obtained a divorce against him and he believed he was a free man. He also stated that the first marriage was never consummated. The further trial was adjourned sine die pending the return of the commission issued to Ethel Thomas and the Clergyman who performed her marriage ceremony with Thomas.

The prisoner was remanded in military custody.

PASSENGERS BY THE HOMEWARD MAIL.

THE following passengers proceed to-day, by the P. and O. Co.'s steamer Peninsular, for Marseilles, and London:—

Mr H Wahid	Mr and Mrs Telford Waugh
Mr H C Harrison	Mr E st Mayne
Mrs and Miss Curried	Mr J P Chrystal
Mr E G Fowler	Mr A G McKendrick
Mr H W Bishopp	Lieut-Col J W Rogers
Miss Scroope	Mr E S J Anderson
Mr G Wells	Mr C H A Barrett
Capt and Mrs T Jackson	Major J Kemball
Mr Henderson	Mr W H Todd
Mr W Bell	Mr Richland
Lieut J O Bassett	Mr E H Tillard
Mr J C Maron	Miss Fraser
Lieut-Col J R Sandwith	Mrs Miller
Mr R H Macnaughtan	Mr C Lumsden
Mr G Fleck	Mr Tyrrell
Mr A Mitchell	Mr E de Souza
Mr [illegible]	Mr [illegible]

THE BOGUS TELEGRAM CASE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, JUNE 24.

W. H. Elliott, official reporter of the Bengal Legislative Council, is also being prosecuted in connection with the sending of a bogus telegram to the "Englishman" from Darjeeling. The case against him opens to-day.

DARJEELING, JUNE 24.

W. H. Elliot reporter to the Government of Bengal and the Calcutta Municipality and one Thomas of Calcutta were charged to-day by the Deputy Commissioner in connection with the bogus telegram case. Elliott is defended by Mr. Manuel of Calcutta and Mr. Edwards of Darjeeling. He applied to be tried as a British born subject.

Mr. Goodwin gave evidence that the telegram was not in Mr. Newman's handwriting, but it had been received at the "Englishman" office. Cross examination was reserved. The Telegraph Master and a native Signaller gave evidence identifying D'Cruz. Carr, a Signaller at Siliguri, testified to having seen D'Cruz at Siliguri tra elling down on the 26th January. D'Cruz being put in the witness box gave practically the same information as that contained in his previous confession. His examination by the Government pleader is proceeding.

THE AGRICULTURAL OUTLOOK.

CALCUTTA, JUNE 24.

To-day's crop telegrams report good rain during the past week over nearly the whole of India and Burma. The moisture has been somewhat excessive in parts of Burma and Eastern Bengal. The Deccan, on the other hand, continues to complain of scarcity of fodder.

THE SUPREME LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

The Hon. Mr. D. M. Hamilton and the Hon. Mr A. Pedler have resigned their seats in the Supreme Legislative Council.

THE MONSOON.

SIMLA, JUNE 23.

Rainfall was to-day general over the greater part of India, but the Meteorological Department report that it is likely to decrease in general during the coming twenty-four hours. Showers, however, are forecast for Assam, Bengal, East of the United Provinces, Central India, the Central Provinces, the West Coast and South India.

THE PLAGUE IN INDIA.

There was another heavy drop in the plague mortality last week, the total number of deaths in India falling to 5,929 a reduction of nearly 2,000 compared with the previous seven days. The Punjab returns 4,746 deaths being an improvement of 2,300 on the total of the previous week. In the whole of the rest of India there were only 1,200 plague deaths.

P. W. D. POSTINGS.

Mr. C. J. Silvester is appointed Assistant Locomotive Superintendent, Eastern Bengal State Railway.

Mr. H. S. Cheshire, covenanted temporary Engineer, the Punjab Public Works Department, is permitted at his own request to resign the service Government with effect from the 24th ultimo.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

Brigadier-General Wood, Colonel on the staff Bannu and Tochi, and Colonel Pollock, Colonel on the staff, Mooltan, have been selected for the command of 2nd class districts in India vice Major-Generals Maitland and Stewart vacating.

Lieutenant Squibb R. E., is placed under orders for duty in India.

Colonel St. G. C. Gore retires from the service.

The following are the postings of the Royal Garrison Artillery:—2nd Lieutenants Buckland from 41st Company, Dover, to 70th Company, Rangoon; Dobbs from 24th Company, Tynemouth, 60th Company, India; Gray from 7th Company, Plymouth, to 55th Company Aden; Sansom from 3rd Company to 51st Company, Aden; Garrett from 55th Company to 104th Company, India; Campbell from 19th Company to 80th Company, Rangoon.

Majors Slavely, 4th Battery R. F. A. India, and Longfellow, 30th Battery R. F. A., Sheffield, are permitted to exchange.

Captain Leggett, 76th Company R. G. A., remains at home on leave until October, next.

Captain Chesamarez R. G. A. has been appointed Commandant, 22nd Mountain Battery.

Captain Haymes, 82nd Company, R. G. A. has been appointed Offg. Commandant 21st Mountain Battery.

Major Langby, 11th Battery R. F. A., is posted to the Home establishment.

Major Hill is posted on promotion from 34th to 11th Battery R. F. A.

ORDINATION SERVICE AT POONA.

POONA, JUNE 24.

The Lord Bishop of Bombay held an ordination service this morning at St. Mary's Church before a large congregation and amongst others the following clergy:—The Venerable Archdeacon Scott, Rev. Messrs. de Coetlogon, Chaplain of St. Marys, Preston, Chaplain of Kirkee, Alesseo, Chaplain of St. Paul's, Tibbs, Chaplain of Ghorpori, Rev Messrs. Traill, Leigh Lye, Henwood and others. The service opened with the singing of Hymn 242 A, and M. after which the Venerable Archdeacon Scott preached an impressive sermon. Then Hymn 255 was sung and thereafter the Archdeacon presented Mr. Dhanaji Kasab, who was to be made a deacon, to his Lordship who was seated in his chair near the altar rails. The Archdeacon next presented the Revs. Walter Wyatt and William Manton who were to be ordained priests. The Bishop, after enquiring of the congregation, proceeded with the Litany after which the Bishop addressed the candidates. The Communion Service was said, the Rev. Mr. Dhanaji reading the gospel in Mahrathi. Hymn 157 was sung after which the clergy present assisted in the laying on of hands. At the end of the Communion Service, the Bishop pronounced the benediction.

PRESENTATION TO SERGEANT CHILDS.

An interesting ceremony was performed last night at the Wroughton Club of No. 3 Company, Bombay, Volunteer Artillery, of presenting some tokens of regard to Sergeant Childs on his leaving for England by to-morrow's mail, for services rendered by him to the Club and the Corps. Major Leslie commanding the Corps before presenting the tokens said a few words:—that he felt glad, while staying in Poona for a few days rest, to have had the opportunity of being able on behalf of the members of the Wroughton Club to make the present to Sergeant Childs for the services rendered by him. He he had been identified with the Company for the past four years and had proved himself a useful member in many ways to both the Corps and the Club and was pleased to note that the Club had recognised his services by offering him the very pretty little presents now before him. He knew that he was expressing the feelings of all the members when he asked him to accept those presents which were accompanied by their very best wishes to him for a good time when he got back to the old country.

In response Sergeant Childs thanked the members for their kind appreciation of what services he had rendered, also desired to thank the officers and members for the instruction he received in gunnery. He wished the Club every prosperity.

DEATH OF A SUB-JUDGE.

Rao Bahadur Limaye, Joint First Class Sub-Judge, died unexpectedly this morning at his residence in the city of Poona. The deceased was appointed under the Deccan Agriculturists' Relief Act and also held for some time Appellate powers in Poona. It was only last week he applied for leave of absence, but within three days of leave, he died suddenly. The members of the Poona bar assembled in the District Court [illegible]

WOMEN'S INTERESTS.

Fashion's Newest Modes.

SHOULD WOMEN PLAY BRIDGE?

A NEW ASPIRANT.

LONDON, JUNE 3.

DAINTY and delightful, indeed, are the newest modes this season as far as dance frocks are concerned. In fact, it is quite noticeable that the overelaboration of trimming, and the exaggeration of form, which threaten absolutely to disfigure many of the afternoon and visiting toilettes, especially in the matter of sleeves, will be happily conspicuous by their absence in the majority of the latest gowns for evening wear. Graceful, flowing lines will prevail largely, especially where the debutantes are concerned, with very simple garnitures of chiffon flowers, and with nothing elaborate in the way of trimming even on the bodices, except, perhaps, a little fine embroidery worked in pearls, silver, and tiny diamonds, and veiled lightly with soft draperies of spangled tulle or net. In a typical dance frock for a debutante the low bodice and the draperies which cover the upper part of the skirt are of soft white chiffon, though the same idea might be carried out more durably perhaps in tulle or Brussels net, or even in white washing silk. Garlands of white chiffon roses, tinged very faintly with pale pink, and showered with crystal dewdrops, outline the curves of the bodice, and also serve to link together the draperies which form the sleeve. These sleeve draperies are carried out in white net, sown with crystal and silver paillettes. The same kind of net is also used for the flounces which form the underskirt, and appears again upon the bodice in the form of draped berthe and bolero. The upper skirt is of the plain white chiffon, very closely gathered below the waist, and again at the knees.

With the resuscitation of the sloping shoulders, and the demure by drooping outlines of the modes which prevailed sixty years since, there has naturally come a revival of the shawl-shaped form of evening wrap. A modernised and modified form of the ancient and once popular burnous has even made its appearance in Paris, carried out in a very fine soft cashmere, in a pale shade of cream colour, with a wide woven border wrought in subdued Oriental colourings. The straight draperies were then caught together at the back, in the most approved burnous fashion, and finished with long tassels in a mixture of gold and silver thread. As the weather grows warmer, long straight shoulder-scarves in soft silk gauze will be worn. Some of these are arranged with wide borders, consisting of printed floral designs in pale chine colourings, while others, again, are adorned with very fine embroideries worked in shaded silks. A very smart evening cloak, which distantly suggests the 1810 fashions, and which has at the same time a distinctly modern grace and charm of its own, will be worn at the next Court at Buckingham Palace, where, by the way, evening cloaks are rapidly becoming almost as important as those beautiful gowns and trains in whose company they are seen. The cloak in question is made in a rich, heavy quality of ivory white crepe de chine, lined with softest satin ina pale shade of daffodil yellow. The crape de chine is draped in very graceful folds round the shoulders, and arranged so that one gets more than an occasional glimpse, in front, of the pale yellow lining. To border the cloak throughout, there is a wide band of ivory-white mirror velvet, with a conventional design in dark green velvet applique, laid upon the white background in trefoil shape, and outlined with a heavy embroidery worked in mixed threads of dull gold and silver. Below this embroidered border there is a deep fringe of ivory-white silk, which adds considerably to the old-world charm of this graceful garment.

It is said that a certain well-known professor of dancing and deportment has been going about London lately openly rejoicing at the latter-day craze for the wearing of feather stoles. He argues that they make for grace and elegance in the most delightful way, since they necessitate a perfectly upright carriage on the part of the wearer. Let her only stoop ever so little, or hold herself crookedly, and off slips her precious stole, with the risk that it may be trampled upon and probably lost. Quite apart from the question of graceful deportment, however, it must be owned that there is something especially fascinating and becoming about the delicate softness of these feather stoles, even when they are carried out in the always-useful black, or dark brown, or even in the natural beige colour, for ordinary, everyday morning wear. Very charming they are, too, in snowy white or in pale pastel colours, at the opera or at the theatre, wisely sheltering bare shoulders from those chilly draughts which seem nowadays to pervade stalls and boxes alike at most of our London entertainments the moment the curtain goes up. Some of the newest and most effective of these stoles are arranged in a combination of soft white ostrich feathers and real Indian marabout, and they are as light as down and wonderfully smart in appearance.

The variety in skirts continues to be one of the interesting features of the new modes, and except for the trottoir skirt, fulness is demanded in the fashionable cotton frock. The diversity in the trimming and management of the fulness makes it possible to adapt the new skirt to almost any figure. Gored skirts having all their seams joined by bands of insertion are popular, as they give a comparative narrowness round the hips combined with great fulness at the bottom without disfiguring seams. This question of seams is so important to the summer frock that the manufacturers are turning out thin materials in the double width, and it is now possible to obtain batiste, mull, and some of the fine lawns in this extra width. The berths in its varying forms, the fichu, and the pelerine collar are successful blouse trimmings for the cotton frocks. The making of a yoke for a cotton frock is no simple matter, if the yoke is to fit perfectly and follow graceful and attractive lines. Only handwork can accomplish the task, and if this yoke is a success the rest of the frock can be quite simple, yet the model will be distinctly chic. The girdles and sashes worn with the summer gowns have much to do with the general effect, and there are many pretty ways of tying and finishing these accessories. The fitted girdle of comparatively narrow width, with its ribbon ends brought round from the back, drawn up to the bust and fastened there in a large, soft knot, is very effective.

The cult of Bridge has assumed proportions among women that those outside the pale of its fascinations find it difficult to realise. On its first introduction the game had scant chance of popularity owing to its intricacies, for the hurry and bustle of a restless age prohibit the devotion of time or energy to studying a game, be its ultimate charm what it may. In the case of Bridge, however, things were completely revolutionised, and whereas in its initial existence only women in smart circles fell a prey to its spell, to-day the woman of the middle classes has abandoned her best interests to pursue a game which when all is said and done, has developed in this country to nothing less than an absolute vice. In a contemporary Agnes L. Welch writes some plain truths on the subject. She says:—With women of the leisured classes time can be frittered at will nor is money, gambled though it may be, to stand in the way of pleasurable vices. But with the suburban woman things are entirely different. Here is not the right to fritter time nor money: in the waste of the one the home suffers, in the prodigal squandering of the other both husband and children are the victims. And more even than this superficial aspect of the effect of Bridge is its influence upon the rising generation. For now-a-days the pursuance of the game is by no means sacred to the evening hours; Bridge "At Homes" in the afternoon are as common in the suburbs as were ping-pong parties a couple of years ago! And what about the growing girls and boys who witness this vicious "abandon" of the mother and her friends? Surely the spirit of gambling must be sown broadcast in our midst, when we find that where the husband's allowance for pin-money fails, the housekeeping supply is purloined to finance the wife and mother's debts at Bridge. The fact is no secret: it is impossible to hide such a vice, but its result upon young minds will only be disclosed when they in their turn meet the temptations of life, in the fascinations of Bridge.

With men the game has not proved as alluring as it has to women. It is played and forms an excellent excuse for gambling, but there is a moderation in its indulgence by the stronger sex that is conspicuous by its absence in the weaker. Naturally the middle-class husband is distinctly apprehensive at the trend of things, for never in the annals of feminity has any single game so completely demoralised woman as the present craze. Her devotion to ping-pong while it lasted was absolute, but the indulgence of the game at any hour of the day was harmless, though it has been urged that it encouraged flirtation among its more youthful adherents. It is well known that in the straits to which the indulgence of Bridge in excess reduces women of limited means, more than one victim of the vice has been forced to seek temporary financial assistance by pledging family plate and jewels. The degradation of such a course passes unnoticed so long as the fevered brain can indulge its fad, though the schemes for hiding the depths to which they have sunk are with many women as bad as the initial strategy itself. From a physical, as well as a moral point of view Bridge has a decidedly deleterious effect upon women. The incessant craving to indulge the vice; the eagerness to suppress its fascinations; the difficulties of hiding its debts; each and all [illegible]

Husbands, where the modern woman is concerned are powerless to stem the tide of her madness, and she is too weak and blind to her own interests to aid herself. It has always been urged that a woman with a vice is infinitely more hopeless than a man and really the mad craze for Bridge proves the truth of the assertion. Whether the mania will die the natural death of an over-ridden hobby, after the fashion of ping-pong, it is difficult to surmise, or whether it may even evolve a worse successor, if that be possible, than itself. At the present moment its popularity is rather on the increase than the wane, though it is just possible that woman, with the inherent fickleness of the sex, will as suddenly cast the game aside, as she adopted it; and for the home, the husband, the children, it is to be hoped that the demise of Bridge, at any rate among the middle classes, will be both speedy and without any hope of a future resurrection. Every woman may be at "heart a rake," but—

A mother is a mother still,
The holiest thing alive.

Therefore she dare not degrade her womanhood and trail her motherhood in the dust of scandal by indulging a vice that leads to thieving from a husband and children and makes a visit to the pawnbroker a compulsory event.

Miss May Harrison, who made her debut in public as a violinist at St. James's Hall on Tuesday night, was enthusiastically received by a crowded and fashionable audience. She was presented with innumerable bouquets and what was said to be a kitten in a cage, but turned out to be a specimen of the much admired dwarf trees of Japan. Miss May Harrison is the daughter of Col. J. H. C. Harrison (late) R.E., and was born at Roorkee, N.W.P., India, in 1893. When only five and a half years old she was placed under Signor Bocchi, and later on under Signor Fassoli. In 1901 she became a pupil of the R.C.M., and her two masters have been Senor Arbos and M. Sivarde. The "Times" says:—"Even with a greater pressure of prodigies than there is at present, such playing as that of Miss May Harrison must make a sensation. She is not yet fourteen years of age, but her playing gives her rank among the artists, not among the mere executants of virtuoso music; her style is extraordinarily mature and, more than that, individual; and it is clear that a young lady who can play Bach's 'Chaconne' and Saint-Saens's 'Rondo, capriccioso' with Miss Harrison's ease and accuracy could easily learn how to perform the acrobatic feats which astound the uncultivated public. The greater includes the less, and the comprehensions of the composers' meaning that she shows in all she plays, together with the sympathy and feeling she has at command implies the power of executing musical pyrotechnics if she should, unfortunately, desire a place among the mere virtuosi. In volume of tone she has still room to gain a good deal, and in this one point she is surpassed by little von Vecsey, who it must be remembered, is nearly four years her junior. Her playing of Bach's fine concerto in E major, and of Mendelssohn's in E minor, was marked by the highest qualities. They were admirably accompanied by the Queen's Hall Orchestra under Mr. Wood.

In aid of Charing Cross Hospital a Grand Costume Ball was held at the Albert Hall on Tuesday night and gay revellers chased the merry hours with flying feet till morning appeared. The unwonted permission to wear masks and dominoes, a certainly generous concession did not seem to have beguiled the men and maids of the twentieth century for comparatively few of the dancers were there "incognito." It was quite half-past eleven ere the floor was at all crowded, or the boxes occupied. The most conspicuous person present was the Alake of Abeokuta, and he and his suite wore, perhaps, the most notable costumes of all. The Alake, who was the guest of Lady Mac

...and the Bombay Press gave him great credit for the tact and ability with which he had managed the case. The first public movement with which Mr. Mehta associated himself was that set on foot in 1869 to recognise the public services of Mr. Dadabhai Nowroji, and to Mr. Mehta belonged the credit of having brought it to a successful issue by the presentation of a handsome purse to Mr. Dadabhai. The next event in which he took a leading part was the agitation against Mr. Arthur Crawford's municipal administration of Bombay in 1871-72. He became a member of the Municipal Corporation in 1872, and has ever since taken a very active and intelligent interest in its affairs. He was instrumental with the co-operation of others, in introducing many important reforms in the constitution of the Corporation. In recognition of his services he was elected Chairman of the Corporation in 1884 and re-elected in the year in 1885. Public opinion of all sections was unanimous on the point that he made a model chairman. In politics too, Mr. Mehta has achieved notable success. His unquestionable oratorical powers introduced him early in life to public platforms, and for the last quarter of a century and more he has taken a prominent part of the topics of the times. He is one of the founders of the Bombay Presidency Association, and he has been one of the principal spirits in carrying on political agitation in Western India. He was appointed a member of the Bombay Legislative Council by Lord Reay at a time when the Municipal Act, was before the Council for amendment. One of the most conspicuous figures in the Congress sittings, he was elected its president at the Congress held at Calcutta in 1890. In 1893 he was elected by the Municipal Corporation to represent Bombay in the local Legislative Council, and was later on, elected by the unofficial members of the Council to be the representative of the Presidency in the Supreme Council. The vigour and independence with which he criticised the important measures before the Supreme Council, such as the Cantonment Act and the Amended Police Act, as well as the Budget for 1895-96, elicited the approbation of the country. In almost every important measure that came before the Council, Mr. Mehta took an active part and distinctly increased his reputation for the independence and moderation of his views. In grateful recognition of his valuable services the people of Calcutta did him the honour of presenting to him an address in the Calcutta Town Hall, and holding a round of social entertainments, at which he was the guest of the evening. A unique reception awaited him on his return to Bombay. An address had been voted to him at a public meeting of the citizens held in April 1895. Another address was voted to him by the Eighth Bombay Provincial Conference held at Belgaum; and both the addresses were presented to Mr. Mehta at a meeting of the Native community held at the Gaiety Theatre in December 1895. Failing health compelled Mr. Mehta to resign his seat in the Supreme Council in the early part of 1896. In recognition of his many services, he was made a Companion of the Indian Empire in 1895. As a fellow of the Bombay University, Mr. Mehta has been untiring in fighting in the interests of higher education among his countrymen.

MR. ALEXANDER CUMINE, C. S. I.

In recognition of his successful administration as, Commissioner in Sind, Mr. Alexander Cumine has been made a Companion of the Star of India. He joined the Service in July 1874, and worked with conspicuous ability at Thana, Sholapur, Bijapur, and Ratnagiri. In April 1898, he came to Bombay as Commissioner of Customs Salt, Opium and Abkari, and Reporter-General of External Commerce, and chairman of the Bombay Plague Committee. For some time, he worked as Plague Commissioner, Bombay Presidency, and was Joint Secretary to Government in charge of the Plague branch. From November 1898 to October of the following year Mr. Cumine's services were placed at the disposal of the Government of India, Home Department, as member of the Plague Commission. On his return to this presidency in October 1899, he was appointed to officiate as Commissioner, Northern Division, and two months later, was transferred as Commissioner to the Central Division. In April 1901, he was nominated a member of the Bombay Legislative Council, and gave that body the benefit of his experience and knowledge gained in many fields of labour. In April 1902, Mr. Cumine was promoted to the post of Commissioner in Sind. He has been allowed extra service for pension for the performance of famine duty in the Bombay Presidency during the years 1876 and 1877.

"REVENGE IS SWEET."

AN ACCRINGTON SENSATION.

The town of Accrington, has been much excited over a strange affair which occurred during the early hours of Wednesday morning June 15th.

About 2.30 A. m. the Rev. C. Stuart Kitchin, a Congregational minister, living in Avenue-parade, was awakened by a loud knocking at the back door of his house. A dog belonging to a neighbour was also barking loudly.

Anxious to discover the cause of the double disturbance, Mr. Kitchin went down to the back yard. He was greatly startled to find in the coal cellar, a young lady, Miss Olive Charnley, the daughter of Mr. John Charnley, his next door neighbour, lying across a heap of coal.

Not only was Miss Charnley gagged her mouth being stuffed with a piece of cloth and a handkerchief, but her legs had been securely tied with a piece of strong cash ribbon and round her eyes was bound a linen serviette.

First releasing the young lady, who was unconscious, Mr. Kitchin called her mother, a lady well known and much respected in the town. Miss Charnley, it was found, was wearing her father's coat over her night attire, and an extraordinary feature of the case is that in the breast of the coat was pinned a note on which were the words, Revenge is sweet. Other words following are so badly written as to be undecipherable.

Miss Charnley is still delirious, and has not yet been able to relate any details of the affair.

It is regarded as certain that whoever threw the girl into the coal cellar had first been into the house of the Charnleys, for although no one appears to have been disturbed, not only was the back door wide open but the paper pinned on the coat had been taken from a younger sister's school bag, and the blotting paper used to dry the ink was afterwards found in the kitchen with traces of the writing upon it.

It is stated that on the night of Whit Sunday, Miss Charnley was knocked down by a man who sprang out from an outhouse and decamped, the incident being witnessed by her sister.

The young lady's mother is understood to hold the opinion that the motive for the affair is an old grudge against the family.

The victim is progressing favourably, but repeatedly cries, "Don't let him touch me."

THE "BEAUTIES" OF MANCHESTER.

There is a legend to the effect that a Manchester man, asked why he persisted in drinking himself to death, replied that it was because it was the shortest way out of Manchester. He ought to have lived to read Whit Monday's article in the "Manchester Guardian," an eloquent appeal to its readers to awake to the beauties of their own city (beauties that need, we agree, to be advertised a little). For instance: There are whole hours of day in Manchester that we have never seen, and those the hours that are worth the most. How many are there that have seen Messrs. Tootal Broadhurst Lee and Co.'s warehouse as it looks under a full moon, with its cornice astonishingly massive in the deep shadow, a fit weight for the row of columns!

We confess that though we have often been in Manchester, Messrs. T. B. L. and Co.'s warehouse is still a vision of beauty we rock not of. And again:

But perhaps the best hours are those between midnight with the last of the trams, and the first dawn, which comes just now at three. So much of a boil lay a man might well spend with a great and a bicycle visiting the chosen places of the [illegible] Whereupon the Westminster Gaz[illegible] coat. One cannot help picturing the [illegible] city" were taken. What ever [illegible] seens, if this advice they had not been [illegible] would the police think it [illegible] to have read the article.

MILITARY RIOT.

BRITISH SOLDIERS ARRESTED FOR MURDER.

Reuter's correspondent at Barbados writes that the jury which inquired into the death of Private Uriah Pritchard, of the 2nd West India Regiment, who was killed in a recent military disturbance, have returned a verdict of murder against Sergeant Davis and Second-Lieutenant B. H. Kay, of the 4th Battalion Worcestershire Regiment, and they have been arrested for trial.

Private Barnes, of the Worcestershire Regiment, who admits having fired at and shot a "tall dark man," a private of the West India Regiment, who appeared to him to be taking aim at Lieutenant Kay, has also been arrested.

The riot which led to the death of Pritchard was the outcome of ill-feeling which existed between the West India and Worcester Regiments. Some of the Worcesters were beaten by West Indian soldiers, and the same evening the Worcesters broke barracks, and a general fight followed. Later on hostilities were renewed, and Pritchard was shot.

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SHADOWED.

STRANGE EVIDENCE IN THE MARSHALL CASE.

A FATEFUL PIMPLE.

Bowed, white-haired, and pallid, Mr. George Marshall, ex-mayor of Retford, for half a century one of the best-known and most respected men in the countryside, sat all day on June 2nd in the police court of his native town and faced the bench upon which he has so often sat as an honoured magistrate.

In the grey morning he had been brought from Lincoln Gaol to Retford to hear the evidence of a crowd of witnesses on the charge brought against him—that of applying to his own uses money received by him on behalf of his client, the Duke of Newcastle.

A great portion of the day was occupied with investigation into the story of the alleged robbery of £12,000 at the Hotel Metropole. Rows of family solicitors, knots of bank officials and a group of detectives sat around the big table in the middle of the great bare court.

The Mayor of Retford a successor of the prisoner in his office of dignity, sat, a solitary figure, on the wide bench, and a huge bank of brown-faced agriculturists filled the public gallery.

During the morning a long succession of witnesses, questioned by Mr. Sims, spoke in support of the Public Prosecutor's case.

It will be remembered that Mr. Marshall alleged that of £18,000 which he had in his bag while staying at the Hotel Metropole the sum of £12,000 was stolen from his room while he was downstairs in the hairdressing department being shaved. In consequence of this his firm became bankrupt.

The total amount alleged by the prosecution to be involved in the wrongful conversion of moneys is £13,825, which sum is said to be due to the Duke of Newcastle.

Soon after the commencement of the proceedings the prisoner was allowed to leave the big wooden dock—which is about ten times as large as the iron dock at Bow Street—and sit at the table by the side of his solicitor, Mr. Arthur Neal, of Sheffield.

Looking casually into the court, one might well have imagined that Mr. Marshall was conducting the case for some third party, instead of being the accused against whom all these witnesses had come to swear.

Mr. Sims spent several hours in tracing all the bank-notes which Mr. Marshall had received on behalf of the Duke. The importance of this lay in the fact that the prisoner stated that the notes stolen were part of the money received for the Duke in connection with certain property purchases. The bank officials swore to some of the notes having been paid by Mr. Marshall into various accounts.

Mr. Sims went fully into the question of the reported robbery which is alleged by the prosecution not to have taken place. The dispatch-bag with the leather neatly cut in a semi-circle round the lock and a collection of blotting-pads upon which Mr. Marshall said he thought Scotland-yard might be able to trace some of the numbers of the stolen £1000 Bank of England notes were produced in court.

MAN IN A LONG COAT.

The story was told of an alleged man who shadowed Mr. Marshall in London and a man in a tall hat and a long coat who followed the prisoner from King's Cross and said "Good morning" to him in the hotel. All through the afternoon the ghost in the long coat hovered about the court.

When Mr. Pilbean, the assistant manager of the Hotel Metropole, was asked very severely by the prisoner's advocate what he had done to trace this gentleman, or what steps he had taken to see what there was in the story of a thief having shadowed Mr. Marshall, he pointed to Chief Inspector Froest, at the solicitors' table, and answered:—

"We put it into the hands of the best detective. We could do no more."

"I might have been murdered in my sleep by the man who shadowed me," wrote Mr. Marshall to Mr. Pilbean, some days after the alleged robbery.

DETECTIVE FROEST'S STORY.

Detective Chief-Inspector Frank Froest, very trim in a neat grey lounge suit, coolly answered the severe fire of twisting and knotted cross-examination to which Mr. Arthur Neal subjected him. He repeated a conversation he had with Mr. Marshall on the day of the alleged robbery.

"I called and saw Mr. Marshall again the next day," he added, "and asked him for the numbers of the notes, but he said he had been busy. He would get them when he went to Retford."

"Now, we must have an understanding about this," said the detective to Mr. Marshall. "When do you promise to let me have the numbers of the notes?"

"Next Tuesday," answered Mr. Marshall.

"Tell me where you got the notes, so that I may make some inquiries, said the detective.

"They are the proceeds," answered Mr. Marshall, "of the sale of the Duke of Newcastle's house in Hill-street, Berkeley-square."

"I never got from Mr. Marshall the numbers of the notes," continued the detective. "I have carefully examined the blotting paper sent up from Retford by the prisoner but can make nothing of it."

Chief-Inspector Froest also stated that he spread out about 300 photographs of hotel thieves known to the police, and Mr. Marshall, casually glancing at them, said there was none whom he could recognise.

He told how he remarked to Mr. Marshall upon the danger of leaving his bedroom to get shaved when there was so much money there. Mr. Marshall explained that he generally shaved himself but on this particular morning he had a pimple on his face, and therefore went down to the barber's.

"THE ROBINSON GANG."

The career of young Mr. Robinson, who came into a large fortune some time ago, was lightly touched upon.

"Do you know the Robinson gang?" asked Mr. Neal of Inspector Froest.

"No," replied the witness.

"You have heard of Mr. Peter Robinson"—"Yes."

"Do you know that the Peter Robinson gang—the friends who cultivate Mr Robinson—was at the hotel at the time of the robbery?"—"No. I do not."

"Did you say to Mr. Marshall that the Robinson gang were not the men to commit hotel robberies?"—"No I don't remember saying so, but I would say so now. I don't think Mr. Robinson would associate with hotel robbers."

"Did you not say something about Mr. Peter Robinson? I may have said he was a racing man. He was a good natured young fool that was all."

Detective-Sergeant Barrett, questioned by Mr. Neal on the subject, said: "I have never heard of a gang called the Peter Robinson gang. I have heard of a young gentleman called Mr. Peter Robinson, and when a young man comes into a lot of money of course there are usually a lot of people round him anxious to get hold of a bit of it."

"Have you any reason to doubt that the Peter Robinson gang was at the Hotel Metropole while Mr. Marshall had the bank-notes there?"—"Yes, I have reason to doubt it."

No further evidence was taken and the accused was again remanded until Saturday, when the Duke of Newcastle will be among the witnesses. As the call was not forthcoming, Mr. Marshall was taken back to Lincoln Gaol.

TELEPHONE TALK.

STRONG LANGUAGE OVER FRENCH WIRES.

Harrowing stories of the awful languages poured into the ears of young and pretty telephone girls by irate subscribers were told in the Eleventh Correctional Court at Paris on May 31.

Two subscribers were before the court. The first—a stout, florid man giving the name of M. Belloche was charged with having committed a "verbal outrage upon a citizeness entrusted with carrying out a duty in the public service." As he appeared in the box, he cast an uneasy glance at Mlle. Meyerle, the girl whose ears he was alleged to have shocked.

With many shrugs and indignant glances at Monsieur, Mademoiselle told the court how on April 9 last he rang her up and asked for another subscriber. There was no line disengaged, however, and Monsieur had to wait ten minutes.

When at the end of [illegible] and Monsieur Belloche [illegible] rang M[illegible] [illegible] the ten minutes I had a fe[illegible], "and [illegible]onsieur up" continued Mlle. Meyerle, "instead of answering me politely, he [illegible] to be very vulgar and abusive, shouting many unpleasant remarks through the telephone.

"You fat and lazy woman," he said, "You are like a lot of silly monkeys."

SECOND THOUGHTS.

"You are no gentleman, as your manners are so bad, I shall cut you off," I replied; and I did. On consideration, however, I rang Monsieur up and told him I should report him to the inspector. Almost before I had finished speaking he shouted back, "species of she-ass."

M. Belloche indignantly denied having used the language ascribed to him, and added that when he rang up first he was answered at once.

"You must be the spoilt child of the telephone ladies then," replied the judge, "for it is a most astonishing experience to be answered at once on the Paris telephone."

The other subscriber who was charged with the crime of being "impatient when using the telephone," was a handsomely dressed young actress named Mlle. Sylviac, who kept the court in a roar of laughter by her emphatic and lengthy denunciation of the telephone and all its works.

It was alleged that when she became "impatient" she was switched on to a lady inspector and delivered herself as follows:—"Madame, I do not know what you are like yourself, but I wonder where you recruit your girls. They are nothing but clergymen's daughters. I would like to slap their faces."

FEMININE COMPLIMENTS.

"Oh, M. Juge," said Mlle. Sylviac, when this serious indictment was made against her. "What a vixen she is to say that I said such a thing. In any event I did not mean to insult the corporation of lady telephone operators.

"Well, have you anything more to say?" asked the judge.

"Oh, a lot," replied the young actress, and with much eloquence she denounced the torture she had been compelled to suffer on the telephone, which she described as her "telegraphic martyrdom." An autocratic administration, she said, imposed on people all sorts of pains and penalties for such trival offences as impatience. If they spoke sharply to an operator a pompous individual with an authoritative voice could come on to the instrument and threaten to cut off communication for a week unless an apology were made on the spot.

"Indeed," she added, "the whole thing is one great absurdity."

Both cases were adjourned for the judge's decision.

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HERE, THERE, AND EVERYWHERE.

The recently noted Alsatian advertisement in which a salary was offered beginning with nothing but subsequently to be doubled is capped by another specimen, from Carlisle. It runs "Poultry,—Hens not laying produce double quantity eggs by using—'s spice." Which serves to prove that in at least one department of industry we manage to keep ahead of Germany.

Amongst the interesting exhibits sent to the World's Fair at St. Louis are several huge totem poles—the genealogical trees of the Indians—from Queen Charlotte islands, on the Pacific Coast. One pole is 48 feet long, and is a handsome specimen of Haïdah or T'Simpshean carving. These poles are erected in front of each chief's residence, and are quaintly and curiously carved and painted. Another exhibit now on its way is a perfectly preserved mastodon—said to be the best specimen of its kind ever secured in any part of the world—recently found on Quar z Creek, near Dawson the capital of the Klondike, frozen solidly, as it has been for probably two thousand years. Commissioner Longdon, the Governor of the Yukon is forwarding it on behalf of the Dominion of Canada.

Any Martian, who has chanced to visit the earth within the last few days has, one fears, formed a curious idea of humanity from the frequency of such newspaper-bill inscriptions as "Great victory. Five thousand men killed." If he should decide to visit Russia he would have the chance of seeing another aspect of the results of the human game of war. At Vilno, as we are told in the "Tribune Russe," out of 20,000 Jewish families, 4,905, or a quarter of the Jewish population, are existing on the charity of their co-religionists, being out of work in consequence of the industrial crisis brought on by the war. At Odessa between forty-eight and fifty thousand men and women have applied for assistance or one-third of the Jewish population. In face of such a state of things philanthropy is powerless.

The rate-cutting now going on between the Transatlantic shipping companies calls to mind the steamship opposition between San Francisco and Oregon a few years ago. So keen was the competition that the Pacific Mail Steamship Company advertised a free passage and a chromo to anybody who was willing to make the voyage. A large number of the impecunious natives of San Francisco thought it would be a good opportunity to go to Oregon and back with a week's board thrown in, so they took passage. Nothing was said about the return. The opposition company made terms with the Pacific Mail Company just as the steamer reached Portland, Oregon, and the old rates of fare for the return journey were at once established. The majority of the passengers had great difficulty in getting home again, and some of them became through sheer necessity permanent residents of the region to which they had unintentionally emigrated.

Let us be thankful that at a time when our own homely superstitions are being rudely uprooted from among us they have taken root and flourish vigorously in Australia. In proof of this the following incident from Brisbane may be gladly and proudly produced. A little time back a worthy Post-office official in that part of the world received what one has no doubt was a well-deserved presentation, which included a case of cutlery. The Deputy Postmaster General made the presentation, but—mark this well—before he handed over the knives he insisted on being handed the princely twenty-four pennies. When the recipient showed symptoms of surprise, the Chief Electrical Engineer explained that a present of a knife or a pair of scissors cuts friendship, and that accordingly they must be bought and paid for at the price of a penny each, which was accordingly done on this occasion. Now if such stern, practical men as Deputy Postmasters General and Chief Electrical Engineers can be found ready to strike a blow in the good cause, who can say how far it may yet grow and flourish in that more congenial ground the hearts of non-official, non-electrical, Australia?

It is interesting, a correspondent writes, to be reminded that there are working colliers who can see beauty even in the grimy trade by which they earn their bread. Who would have thought that there was a working miner in England to-day with such a passion for the coal pit that he would spend years of his life, when he had not the pick or the shovel in his hands, in handling delicate tools and instruments to give a concrete example of colliery life and labour to the world? But this is just what two Scottish working colliers, Messrs. Gilmartin and Paul, have been doing. For seven years they have been working at a model of a working colliery with remarkable results. This model, which is now being exhibited at Dunfermline is a practical working illustration of coal-getting from the moment the miner descends the pit shaft to the point when the coal is emptied into the hold of the ship for exportation. Not only are the miners seen at work in this miniature system, but the principles of ventilation, haulage, and pumping are all exemplified. No less than ten model engines and motors are required to drive this colliery. It is a monument to the enthusiasm of the two miners who have planned and made it.

Naturally at any mention of canine fidelity or intelligence every cat-lover forthwith puts on his considering cap. Wherefore it is only natural that a recent note on a dog's homing instinct should elicit from a correspondent a rival incident of similar stories of the feline heart. A cat, he tells us, was taken from Leeds to Hanley by train. It was fastened securely in a hamper and the hamper was placed where puss was prevented from seeing the surrounding country. Nevertheless in a fortnight she turned up again at her old home, lean and hungry but with sufficient energy left to resist any efforts to drive her away on the part of the new residents. Her former owner subsequently went over to Leeds and identified her. This incident brings out pretty clearly the essential difference between dog and cat, for whereas the dog was driven to its painful journey by its love for its master, the cat deserted its master in order to return to its accustomed home.

The woes of the milk-seller, to say nothing of those of the milk-drinker, are a fruitful source of argument in Manchester. In this connection a letter appearing in one of the Parisian papers is not without its interest, while passing through a picturesque village in the neighbourhood of Paris, says the writer, he came across a charming rural picture. There was a large pond, in which cattle were standing. Into the pond ran a gutter which acted as a drain for the neighbouring cottages. And standing in the pond was a jolly fat mer's boy, whistling gaily, washing out a number of large milk cans in which an hour or two later the milk from a neighbouring farm was to be sent to Paris. The writer gives some further details as to the cleanliness of the pond water, and adds that the jolly farmer's boy was careful to leave a good supply of it in those cans which he had thoroughly cleaned. After all, it seems, there are some things we manage better in England.

It is an international custom to return Governments which sternly refuse to vote sufficient money for the needs of the national picture galleries and then go proceed violently when the galleries are unable to purchase all the finest pictures which come from time to time into the market. We all know how it is in England. In France a similar outcry has been recently raised because one of Courbet's finest works, "The Stone-breakers," has been secured for the Dresden Gallery instead of the Louvre. The attack is, however, delivered on somewhat different lines to its English prototypes. Thus one critic declares that there is plenty of money but that it is continually lavished on such things as ancient steles, "old pebbles, of no artistic value though of some chronological interest to archæologists," for one of which some £4,000 was recently paid, in spite of the fact that it was "well known, photographed, and that a casting would have amply sufficed for the two or three people in the whole world who feel the slightest interest in it." There is no pleasing everybody.

An strange occurrance, of considerable botanical interest, has recently been observed in the Brazilian town of Petropolis, in the State of Rio de Janeiro. Among the commonest plants of that part of the world is a parasitical plant known as the Tellandsia. This plant has very small seals, each of which is provided with a growth of long light hairs. At any time of high wind these seeds are blown long distances in the air, to take root and grow wherever they finally arrive, as, for instance, on the trunk and branches of trees. Petropolis has recently been lit by electric light, the necessary current being conveyed by wires on wooden poles. Seeds from the Tillandsia have attached themselves to these poles and the wires themselves, and have there grown in far greater luxuriance than when in more usual situations, in many places covering the wires with their long green garlands studded with red and white flowers. This is attributed to the effect of the strong light of the electric lamps. It would seem to show that the various proposals of forcing vegetation by electricity have gained the attentive ear of Nature herself.

Perhaps of all advertisements none is more insinuatingly attractive than those which are set forth by our Indian fellow-subjects. Who for example, could find it in him to refuse such an appeal as the following, kindly forwarded by a correspondent, which is devoted to the merits of the blue-black ink supplied by an enterprising firm of Wardha, Central Provinces? It is unfortunately too long to be quoted in full, but the following extracts will answer for its seductiveness:—"Mind that these Inks are approved by C. P. Government. Mind no best and cheapest Inks will ever be obtain elsewhere than that of our Inks even in India of Foreign country. Only one thing undoubtedly convince of their superiority. We are ready to supply with any amount of demand whatever entrusted upon us as desired. It is found that a written paper of our ink though kept in sunlight or in the rain for some days the paper shall be spoiled and destroyed but the ink will admirably secure its formality. We promise our true purchasers to repay the price of our inks if it be proved unsatisfactory and contrary to what we propose without hesitation." If there be any inkuser who is not convinced by that striking fact that the ink admirably secures its formality even after the paper is destroyed, he must have a heart of flint.

In connection with the trade of Smyrna for last year, there was no falling-off in the demand for Turkey carpets from the United Kingdom; on the contrary, the increase, since 1895, has been a steady one, rising from 2,329 to 3,733 bales (each bale containing 100 square yards of carpets) and representing 60 per cent. of the carpets produced. This marked increase is accounted for by the great cheapness of Oriental carpets, which no longer confines their use to the rich, and by the fact of London acting as a central market, not only for the United Kingdom, but also for other countries. The demand from the United States has declined since 1896 falling from 689 to 230 bales, owing probably to the fact that Persian and Indian carpets find more favour. An interesting feature of the Smyrna carpet trade is that, whereas some thirty years ago it was principally in the hands of Orientals, it has now passed almost entirely into the hands of Europeans, and three out of the six leading houses are British representing very important interests in the United Kingdom. Owing to European energy and capital applied to this important industry, the production has not only doubled in the four impoverished districts where carpets have always been manufactured, but has spread all over Asia Minor to a dozen other districts.

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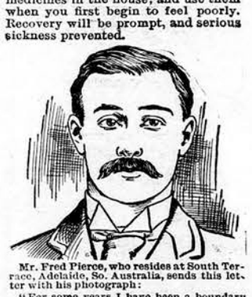

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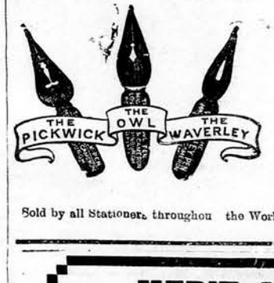

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SOMEHOW or another (and there must be many managers who would like to know how), George Edwardes cannot make a failure. And it's not exactly what he does, but the lovely way he does it. "Veronique," which in its English form has caught on with such a firm grip at the Apollo, might, under another man's guidance, have met with but an indifferent reception from the public, the fascination of Andre Messager's music notwithstanding. For in truth, as regards story, which is not an unimportant matter, there is nothing fresh in the idea of a young lady of high degree masquerading as a flower girl, in order that she may win, by her own personal charm, the heart of the young aristocrat who is to marry her without having yet even set eyes on her. If hills, as well as forests, had ears, and they heard the story of Veronique, it would make them feel quite young again, and they would chuckle among themselves that there was no irony, after all, in Bret Harte's allusion to them as "those infantile eruptions of earth's epidermis!"

But it is the way George Edwardes does things. The famous blossom scene in The Geisha seemed, when we first saw it, altogether too beautiful ever to be eclipsed. We reckoned without our scene of the second act of Veronique, the Tourne Bride, Romanville. Here, in this lovely glade, so dainty and so delicate in colouring as to seem almost fairylike, with the chestnut trees and the white hawthorns in full and flaky bloom, the sweet Helene de Solanges, calling herself Veronique, sets her cap at the young Vicomte Florestan de Valiancourt, between whom and Helene a marriage has been arranged by Florestan's uncle. As she swings to and fro from a bloom-laden bough, singing a most bewitching song as she goes, and looking in her gossamer gown the picture of simple loveliness, the blossom floats down from the branches to her feet, making sugary patches of white on the spring-green turf below. No wonder Florestan feels he must follow the example of the blossom, and fall at her feet below. It is the prettiest love passage the lighter stage has given us, and if it is not encouraging an undesirable habit to say so, it represents in itself an ample return for the money of the person who is too deeply engaged of an evening to sit a whole piece through. Talk of the scent of the hay coming over the footlights! It is the scent of blossom and of blossoming love! An animated poem.

Before Miss Ruth Vincent, who is so irresistibly charming as Helene, sings from the seat of a swing, she has to sing from the saddle of a donkey; and on the first night of Veronique the unwise quadruped engaged for the honour of "supporting" Miss Vincent conducted itself in almost as wild a fashion as the wicked horse which threw Mr. Oscar Asche to "England's ground" in Richard II (that he might, as Bolingbroke, the more conveniently bid the "sweet soil" adieu. Miss Vincent looked greatly relieved when the time came for her to change the donkey for the swing, and the incident probably recalled to the minds of many who were present the chorus lines of a song once popular in the "halls," which went, as near as I can remember:

Oh! the hawful haches from the shocks an' shakes
Of these 'Ampstead 'olliday jokes!
It ain't the swings what the stiffness brings,
But the bump, bump, bump of the mokes!

Like Mr. Oscar Asche's horse, the "moke" of the Apollo is really thoroughly accustomed to the stage, having, to mention one of its engagements, appeared for several nights at the Prince of Wales's Theatre, where it showed considerable talent as the motive power of a governess cart packed with Three Little Maids. So there was little reason why it should have made such a hash of its part, unless feeling that Whitsuntide was drawing near, it was anxious to demonstrate that it was too frisky an animal to be let out for the day to one of the donkey-men of 'Appy 'Ampstead. It, by-the-way, is a "she," and when at the Prince of Wales's, acting with Miss Edna May, was christened Miss Edna June. Mr Lawrence Rea, manly and melodious Florestan, experienced the greatest difficulty imaginable in performing his part of the duet with Miss Vincent, what time he had to keep Edna June from backing into the orchestra, and he, too, must have felt considerably relieved when the saddle was deserted for the less erratic seat of the picturesque swing.

Horses and ponies and donkeys have ever been inclined to troublesomeness when taking part in stage performances, and their appearance before the floodlights is seldom welcomed by the audience as an aid to the play's smooth running. On the first night of The English Rose at the Adelphi, Mr. Leonard Boyne, though an excellent horseman, had to put out all he knew of the art of equestrianism to keep his horse from jumping into the orchestra; and I think it was Mr. Herbert Standing, another experienced horseman, who, making his appearance one night in Chilperic mounted on a large mottle-faced cream, was interrupted in his song by a disposition on the part of his noble charger to lie down and roll itself free of certain trappings and draperies it was unaccustomed to wearing. At Sadler's Wells once, in a musical melodrama of the My Sweetheart order, I saw a wicked little pony deliberately kick over the trim residence of the village parson, paper filiac and all, and just as the reverend gentleman was issuing peacefully from his front door, so that for an exciting second or two he was wearing the front of the vicarage round his neck like an Elizabethan frill.

Mrs. Churchill-Jolrell, an actress-manageress who for some time ran the Novelty Theatre (now Penley's), had four very tiresome ponies on her salary list at the time that she was producing the pantomime of Cinderella. Scarcely a night passed without there being some sort of trouble with them, and on one occasion being extra fresh (having only just come out of the pumpkin), they forced an entrance some twenty lines before their cue, and, upsetting a duet between the two ugly sisters, and very nearly upsetting the duettists also, crossed to the opposite exit, and went off with a good half of the palace where the historic ball was to take place in the next act.

Mr. Charles Warner, notwithstanding a long experience in the parts of sporting heroes, in the playing of which he has sometimes been called upon to handle a team of four from the giddy height of a coach-box, is better pleased when his imposing carriage is allowed by the author to be horseless. They get on his nerves, to say nothing of the super's toes; and the last time he took an engagement in Princess's dramas he gave the management to understand at one of the rehearsals I was present at, that the Shetland pony when had been hired for the heroine's little boy would have to be kept in the street until wanted, or he would not proceed with the rehearsals. The incessant pattering and clattering of a restless pony on the boards in the wings was more than Mr. Warner's nerves could stand, and as it was impossible to keep the little nuisance in the street, and there was no place in the theatre from which his diggeing hoofs were not, audible, he, was driven out of his engagement, and the author requested to remove all reference to him in the dialogue of the heroine's little boy. The boy-actor looked very cloudy about the brow when his pony was led away, but there was undisguised joy on the countenance of the hero, whose precious speeches would now be made without a hoof accompaniment "off." "There would be less horses brought on the stage, if managers only knew how afraid their audiences were when they were taken off. At one of the London theatres I saw a woman very seriously injured by a horse. It was not reported whether she recovered from the effects of the accident, but when I again saw the drama in which she was thrown over, which was some months after the mishap, she was still out of the cast.

A notable feature of the curious, but certainly clever and interesting, comedy, "Cynthia," is the all-round excellence of the acting. There is not a single part in Mr. Hubert Henry Davies's old play (new, however, to London) which is otherwise than admirably played. The manicurist, the footman, the hairdresser, and the French maid, are not, it is true, one-line parts. That of the French maid is quite an Adrienne Dairolles part. But they are all of a class which is not usually interpreted by actors and actresses of any distinct talent. For Mlle. Louise Douste comedy without music is altogether a new departure, and yet, as Eugenie, the spend-thrift Cynthia's maid, this clever singer and musician, so popular on the concert platform as well as in opera, is the very life and soul of more than one scene, if not of more than one act. By a tactful exercise of natural stage ability and a delicious display of piquancy and high spirits, Mlle. Douste raises her Eugenie into quite an important "role."

In real life as well as on the stage the word "dead" is often a sure provoker of laughter, so one ought not to quarrel with the inhabitants of the world of making-believe for occasionally getting a laugh out of death when they know they can get a good one. Some people have been, or pretended to be, terribly shocked on hearing of the manner in which one of the loudest peals of laughter is raised at Wyndham's Theatre. Cynthia has been extremely rude to the money-lender, a German Jew doing business under the name of Duncan, and her friend, Teddy Hampton, seeing the man could sell her up at a moment's notice, advises her to be nice to him. Cynthia, forcing a most hospitable smile, gushes up to the Jew and asks with great sweetness, "And how's your wife?" Without a moment's hesitation the man replies, "Dead, thanks!"

But, perhaps, the funniest "joke" of the kind was that contained in a few commonplace remarks passed once between the late William Blakeley and Mr. George Giddens, Blakeley, one of the most deliciously comical of men, is receiving guests in his sister's drawing room, on behalf of that lady, who is not yet "down," and, being a nervous man, as well as one unaccustomed to ceremony of any sort, is making a great hash of the whole thing. Presently Giddens arrives, looking very low-spirited and dressed in mourning. Blakeley, springing up to him with great politeness, asks him how his mother is. "Dead!" says Giddens with awful gravity. "Dear me!" is Blakeley's profoundly respectful remark, as he walks solemnly to the other end of the room. More visitors arrive, and in the course of a few minutes, the confused old gentleman with the comical countenance toddles up to Giddens again, forgetting he has already greeted him, and welcomes him with the awful words, "How are you? And how's your mother?" To which Giddens, looking gloomier than ever, replies "Still dead!"

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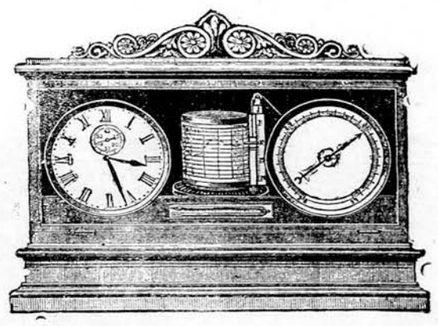

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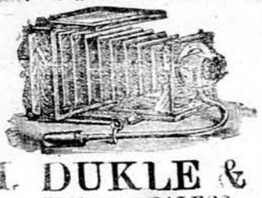

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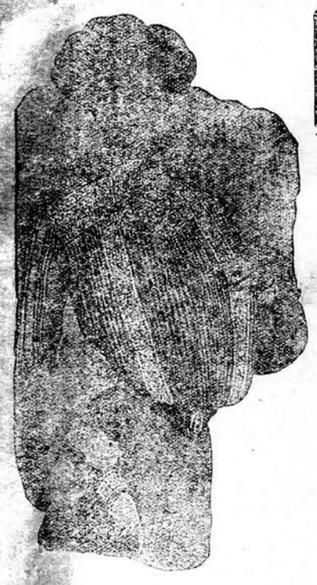

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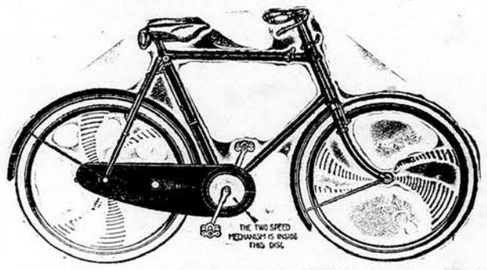

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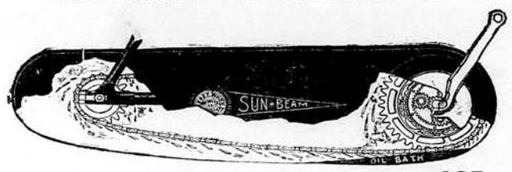

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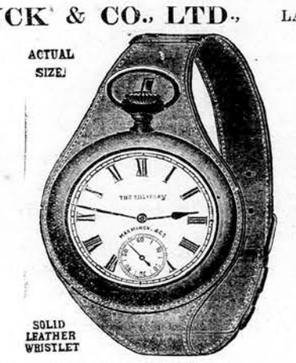

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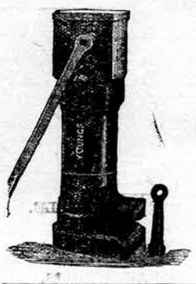

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